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COMMENT OF THE DAY

BUDGET DEBATE

THE Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council were yesterday faced with the task of giving their views on the latest Budget.

That they did not devote much time to the Budget itself is not surprising for in the main there is little to criticize in its provisions.

The Members had the same problem last year and, as on that occasion they had naturally to fall back on exploring proposals for future expansion or improvement of the Colony's public services and amenities.

They did this with enthusiasm and they must be congratulated for their devotion to the welfare of the community as a whole.

Involved

MANY of the subjects debated yesterday are involved. Some have been debated before, but all are worthy of careful consideration and Government can be relied upon to view them in their proper perspective in line with the Colony's future planning.

While it might be unfair to praise any one Member we feel that the Hon. J. D. Clarke, who was making his maiden speech, deserves the warmest congratulations for the able way in which he presented his case for the business community.

His reference to Lancashire and the cotton industry is timely in that Sir Frank Lee, Permanent Secretary of the Board of Trade, is in the Colony to investigate Hongkong's problems concerning the industry.

Misrepresented

THAT Hongkong's position has been frequently misrepresented is all too true and Mr Clarke's suggestion that an official Parliamentary Mission be invited to the Colony should receive earnest consideration.

Such a mission could well clear the air and put the position in its correct perspective. A long-sighted policy is required for there is no doubt that if a Labour Government comes into power in two years time Hongkong will need as many friends as possible in Whitehall.

Following the Hon. A. G. Clarke's revelation that the water problem is as acute as it ever has been in the last three decades it is not surprising that two Members, the Hon. C. E. Terry and the Hon. Kwok Chan, have urged Government to explore all possible fields to overcome the desperate shortage.

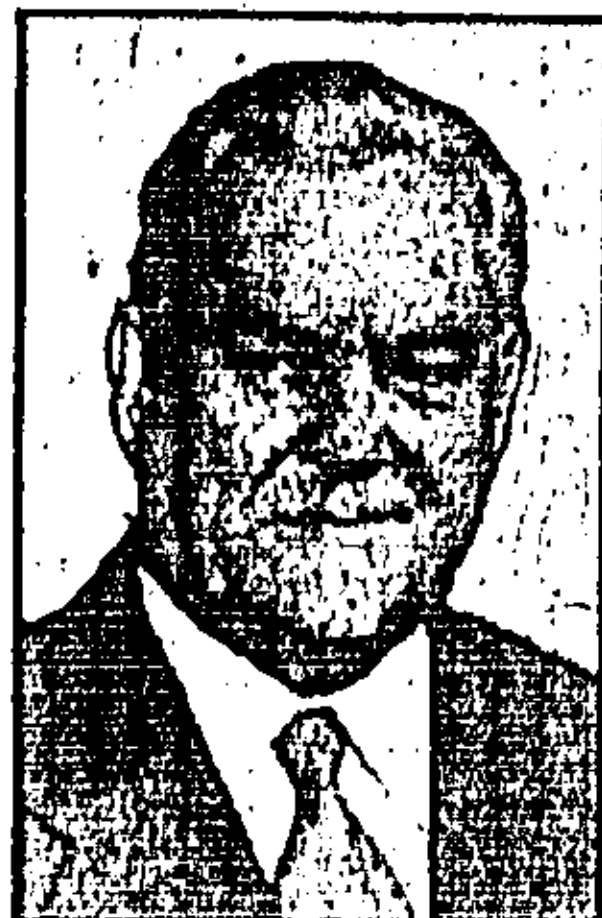
Airport Terminal

SEVERAL Members referred to the new airport terminal facilities. Present facilities are far from adequate and with the emphasis on furthering the tourist industry to assist our economy, conditions will be well nigh chaotic within a very short time.

But the suggestion that temporary enlargement of the terminal building is not realistic. It would involve a further outlay of capital. The wiser plan would be for Government to press ahead with work on the new building with the utmost speed.

The official replies will be awaited with the greatest interest and it is to be hoped that they will be as stimulating as yesterday's introduction to the debate.

BULGANIN ON THE WAY OUT



NIKOLAI BULGANIN
The end of the road.

Retirement From Premiership Expected Today

London, Mar. 26.

Russia's leaders met in Moscow today and gave tentative approval to Nikolai Bulganin's retirement from the premiership, authoritative sources reported tonight.

Bulganin, 62, is expected to announce his resignation to the Supreme Soviet, Russia's Parliament, tomorrow or Friday, the sources said.

It was understood the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party approved Bulganin's replacement at a meeting today on the eve of the Parliament's first session.

Successor

But there was no information available here as to who would succeed Bulganin as Premier. Western correspondents in Moscow reported considerable speculation there as to the events that are about to unfold in the impending session of the Supreme Soviet. But they said there was no official information available on the subject.

The first tipoff as to Bulganin's probable replacement came last night when he was absent from a dinner given in honour of visiting United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld.

Bulganin was missing again today at a dinner given for Hammarskjöld by the Swedish Ambassador to Moscow, Rolf Solman.

Radio Moscow reports on the two functions simply listed those present. Soviet Communist Party Boss Nikita Khrushchev was among them. Bulganin was not.

Speculation

But there was last autumn there has been increasing speculation that Bulganin was on his way out.

Some reports said he had failed to give full support to Khrushchev in his showdown battle with the faction led by former Premier Georgi Malenkov and ex-Foreign Minister Vyacheslav M. Molotov — and later with Marshal Georgi Zhukov, Russia's now-outdated Defence Minister.

There is speculation that Bulganin might be eased into the job of President of the Soviet Union, a figurehead post, now held by 77-year-old Marshal Klement Voroshilov.

Decided

But there was no information available here whether this switch might have been decided on by the Central Committee, which is the group that wields the greatest power in the Soviet Union. What it decides will be presented to the Supreme Soviet as it meets formally.

Under the Soviet constitution, Bulganin must present his resignation to the new Supreme Soviet, whose members were elected a week ago and which meets for the first time tomorrow.

Normally, he would be re-nominated immediately. But this time, under the terms of the reported decision taken today in Moscow, his resignation will be accepted and he'll be out. —United Press.

Biggest Strike

Tokyo, Mar. 27.

More than 100,000 private railroad workers today began the largest strike in Japan's postwar history when overnight talks between union and management broke down.

The strike left more than 13,000,000 railway commuters stranded throughout the country. —Reuters.

Lennox-Boyd Is A Liar Says Mintoff

Valetta, Mar. 27.

Mr Dom Mintoff, Malta Prime Minister, tonight accused Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, British Colonial Secretary, of having told a pack of lies about Malta, and claimed he had misled Parliament and the people of Malta and the United Kingdom.

Mr Mintoff was speaking in the Malta Legislative Assembly after Dr George Oliver, Nationalist opposition leader, had said the situation in Malta was now a fiasco, and the island was the laughing stock of the world.

He called on the Government to resign and said it would be irresponsible and unfair for it to provoke a crisis which might lead to the suspension of the constitution.

He was referring to a decision of the Prime Minister to continue the budget debate without waiting for Britain's contribution to be approved. —Reuters.

PROTEST MEETING IN COMMONS

London, Mar. 26.

Two hundred members of the National Union of Vehicle Builders tonight staged a protest meeting in a House of Commons committee room against flights of American planes carrying H-bombs over Britain and against American bases and rocket sites here.

They also demanded immediate summit talks.

Mr W. Evers, London Chairman of the Union, said the meeting represented over half a million organised London workers.

While the meeting was in progress MPs were being lobbied, and a protest petition with over 7,000 signatures was handed to Mr John Parker, Labour MP for Dagenham, who presided. —Reuters.

Near Defeat

Madras, Mar. 26.

The Communist Government of the Indian State of Kerala escaped defeat by only two votes today when the State Assembly voted on the Government's budgetary demands.

In Independent Member of the Assembly, who up to now had generally voted with the Government, joined the Opposition and cut the government majority to two. —United Press.

KILLED 'OUT OF BOREDOM'

Paris, Mar. 26.

Andre Robini, 29-year-old paratrooper hero of the Indo-China war, today went on trial for the murder of three women, whom he killed "out of boredom."

Robini has admitted the three killings and at least 12

separate thefts, usually carried out against old women. The police said he confessed to 40 or 50 assaults during pre-trial questioning.

He returned from Indo-China with the Croix De Guerre, three citations and 25 years' strip.

IKE HITS BACK AT TAX CUT OUTCRY

Washington, Mar. 26.

President Eisenhower said today he will not be stampeded into proposing a tax cut as an anti-recession weapon.

The President made the statement in telling a news conference he feels the United States is going through the worst of the economic slump right now.

While a tax cut might have immediate benefits, he said, serious thought must be given to its effects in the future, particularly in view of the growing Federal spending.

If we go frantic, he said, we will be doing the wrong thing. The President said he believes we have got to be very, very careful about what we are doing to the economy over the years rather than considering only the immediate difficulties.

ANTI-RECESSION

The present economic situation could be compounded into something worse, he said.

He said he never has excluded the possibility that a tax cut would be desirable if the economic situation worsens. But he said the Administration is not going to cut tax or take any other anti-recession measure considered unwise.

The President's statement came after a top-level Administration official told United Press that the President and his economic advisers fear "that a tax cut this year already has been implemented in the public's mind."

The official said such fear may have prompted consumers to cut back on their buying in anticipation of a tax reduction. Thus reduced buying, he said, only helps prolong the recession. —United Press.

STOP PRESS

1957 OSCAR AWARDS

Hollywood, Mar. 26.

Alco Guinness, who made his film reputation as a sophisticated comedian, tonight was chosen for the Best Actor Oscar for his dramatic performance as the marinet colonel in "The Bridge on the River Kwai."

Joan Woodward, who played the role of a woman with a split personality in "Three Faces of Eve," was named the Best Actress of 1957.

The "husband and wife" of Red Buttons and Marilyn Ueki, who played the airman-moon-faced Japanese lover in "Sayonara" tonight were named for the Best Supporting Actor and Actress Oscars.

Director David Lean was awarded an Oscar for his direction of the war drama, "The Bridge on the River Kwai." —United Press.

United States...3 USSR...2 EXPLORER III JOINS FELLOW-SATELLITES IN OUTER SPACE

Washington, Mar. 27.

The US earth satellite Explorer III successfully entered its orbit at 2.43 this morning (HK Time) the Academy of Sciences announced yesterday.

The first official statement reporting the successful orbiting of Explorer III, the third American satellite made its first loop around the world in 121 minutes.

However, Dr Richard Porter, chief of the US satellite section for the International Geophysical Year, said the baby moon's first loop around the earth revealed a slight deviation in its orbit.

Deviation

He added that this change would somewhat modify the scientific information Explorer III will send back to the earth. Porter also said the deviation would limit Explorer III's stay in outer space to a relatively short period.

The earth satellite started into its orbit only five minutes after its Jupiter-C rocket was ignited at the Cape Canaveral launching pad.

Shortly after 2,000 GMT, Porter made the announcement of the successful launching at the National Academy of Sciences.

President Eisenhower had been told about the successful orbiting some time beforehand.

Still Hope

Despite the orbit deviation, scientists on the American International Geophysical Year Committee still hope to be able to gather data on outer space from Explorer III.

The Army's Explorer I has been in orbit since January 31, but the second Jupiter-C failed to place its satellite in orbit because the fourth and final stage of the rocket did not ignite.

A US Navy Vanguard satellite is also circling the Earth as is the second Soviet Sputnik.

Today's launching took place when the two other US satellites were at "a reasonable" distance, it was officially announced.

The danger of an outer collision is extremely doubtful. American experts have said an accident would be one in a billion chance. —France-Press.

BIRTH CONTROL IN PEKING

Peking, Mar. 26.

Communist women activists are visiting homes to demonstrate birth control methods to the housewives of the Chinese capital, the Peking Evening News reported today.

The newspaper said that the visitors were warmly welcomed, since many wives were anxious to obtain knowledge on limiting families.

"But some women are shy of going to the chemist store to buy contraceptives and others fear the physical effects," the paper added. —Reuters.

Problems

The Hague, Mar. 26.

Mr Selwyn Lloyd, British Foreign Secretary who is accompanying Queen Elizabeth II in Holland, today discussed problems of importance to Britain and Holland with his Dutch counterpart, Mr Joseph Luns.

It was learned that topics of their 80-minute talk here included a summit conference, the Free Trade Area, European integration problems, the financing of British troops stationed in Germany, and Indonesia. —Reuters.

THE COST OF A TRIP TO THE MOON AND BACK

Washington, Mar. 26.

PRESIDENT Eisenhower's Scientific Advisory Committee tonight reported that it will be easier to land a space ship on Mars and Venus than on the moon because both planets have atmospheres that can be used to cushion a landing.

The scientists added in a 4,000 word study made public by the President that it may cost 2,000 million dollars "to equip ourselves to land a man on the moon and return him safely to Earth."

The forecast did not say when it may be possible to make such a trip.

The committee study, entitled "Introduction to Outer Space," was issued with an accom-

panying statement by Mr Eisenhower calling it "a sober, realistic presentation prepared by leading scientists."

The Presidential committee, headed by Dr James R. Killian, Mr Eisenhower's advisor on science problems, listed defence as among the major reasons for making plans for outer space development.

The committee's report included an elementary space timetable for various scientific objectives in that field.

The timetable categories are in the broadest terms for achievement of such objectives—namely, early, later and still later.

In the early category is listed

Boycott Order By Eoka

Nicosia, Mar. 26.

The Cypriot Greek terrorist organisation, Eoka today circulated leaflets ordering Cypriots to boycott British-made soaps, detergents, paper handkerchiefs and paper towels.

The leaflets, signed by Eoka leader Digenis, were the latest in a series of boycott orders issued as part of Eoka's passive resistance campaign.

FRITTERING

The leaflets said: "There are perfectly good soaps and soap powders made in Cyprus which our people should use instead of frittering away tens of thousands of pounds on British products."

Meanwhile, Eoka's political branch, Peke, issued leaflets ordering Cypriot merchants not to employ British girls for secretarial work.

The leaflet said: "These girls who seem ready to accept jobs no matter how small the salary are British agents and spies. While there are Greek girls available for secretarial work, it is a shame to employ English girls who are spies." —France-Press.

Labour Party Wins Elections In West Indies

Barbados, Mar. 26.

The Barbados Labour Party which is affiliated to the West Indies Federal Labour Party won four of the five Barbados seats for the first West Indies Federal Legislature in yesterday's general elections, it was announced here today.

This means that the supporters of the Socialist Federal group will have 25 of the 45 seats in the Federal Legislature against 20 for the Conservative Democratic Labour Party enabling them to form the first federal government.

It also means Sir Grantley Adams, leader of the Barbados Labour Party is assured of becoming the first federal Prime Minister. —Reuters.

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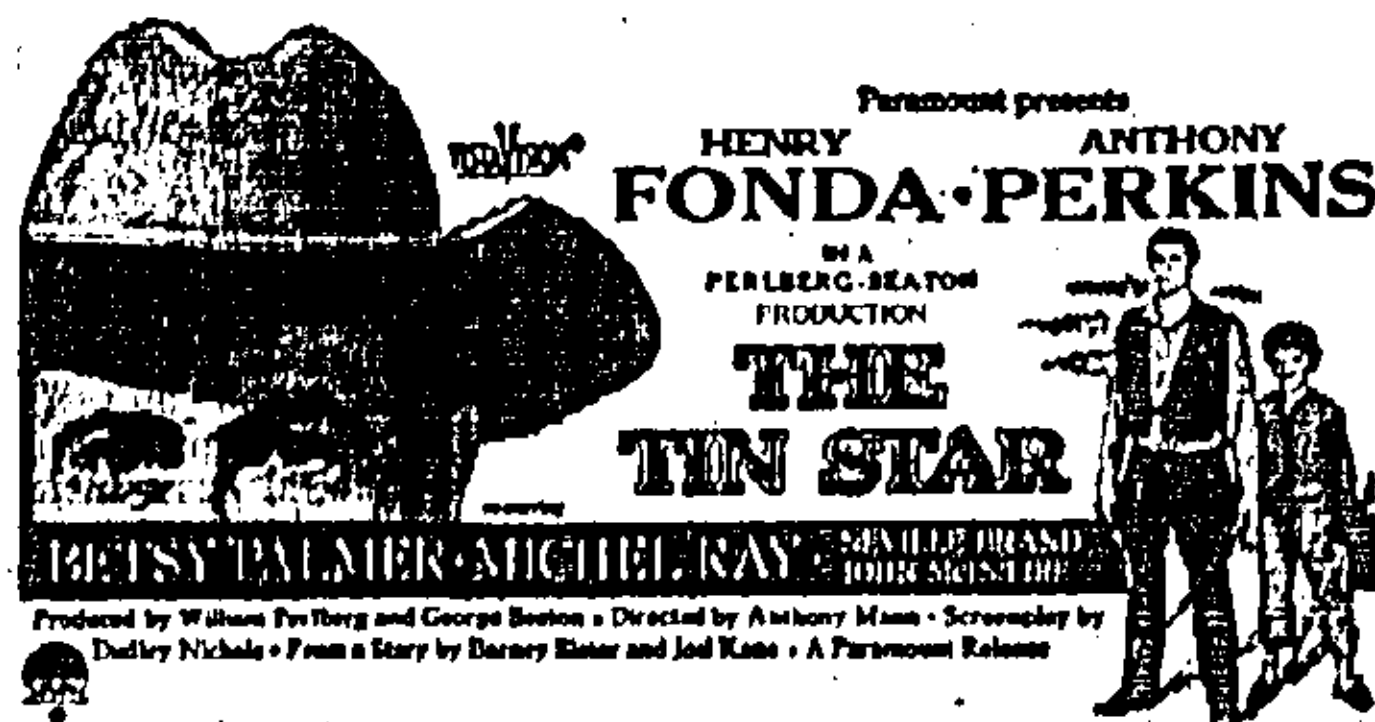


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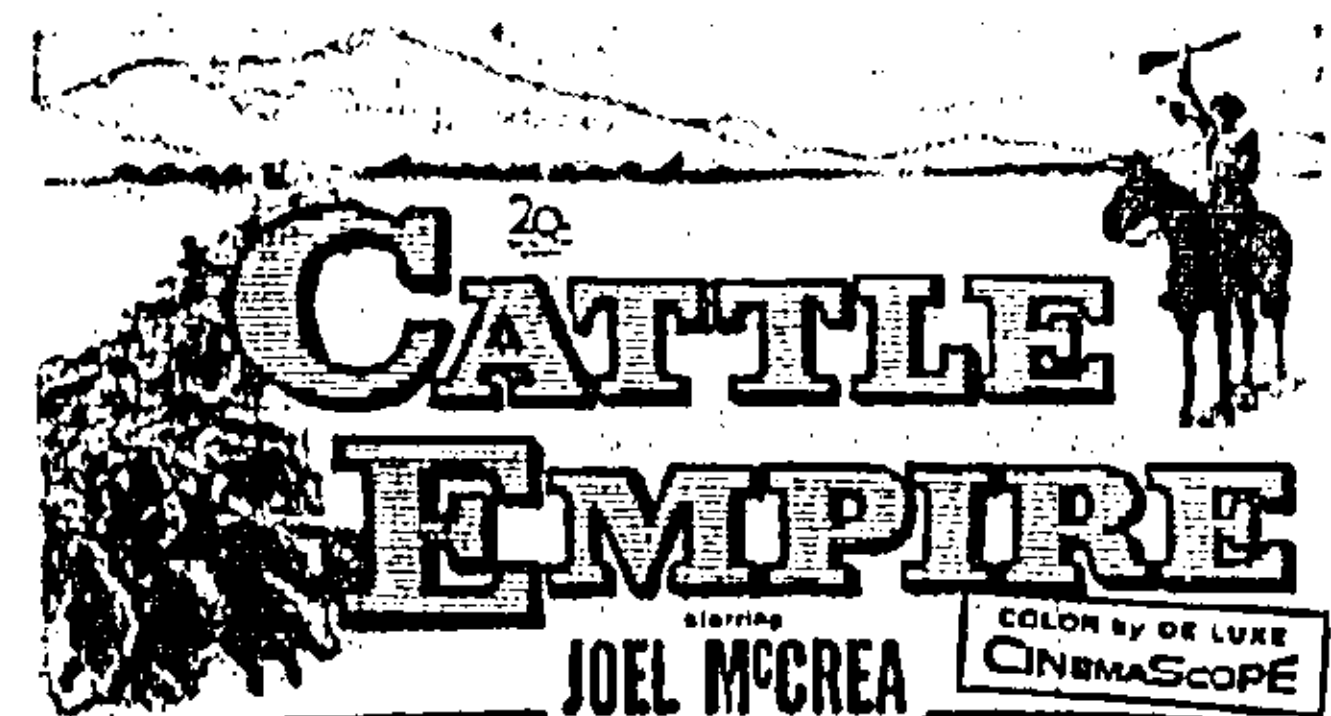
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CHINA IS NO LONGER A LURE TO STUDENTS

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 26.
Education in China is no longer a lure to the Chinese students of Malaya, a high government official said today. The exodus of Chinese students from Malaya, which started in 1955 under the propaganda inducements of Peking, came to an end four months ago, the official said. He said the students had been disillusioned by the poverty of China and the lack of facilities there.

The official estimated that 100 Chinese students from Malaya—and probably a larger number from Singapore—made the jump to China full of enthusiasm about what they would find there.

But after Malaya became independent, the movement of Chinese students dropped off to a trickle and then came to a complete halt in the past four months.

Some of the students who went to China managed to return. Others are still there. "But whether they have returned or have written trying to come back, their stories are all full of disappointment and frustration," the official said.

He analysed the situation this way:

China is now going through difficult times. The Peking government has slashed both bursar allowances and individual allowances.

The average income for a peasant family of five or six persons is between 250 and 300 Malaya dollars (US\$100) a year. Under these conditions, Malayan-born Chinese students would find living difficult.

Moreover, all students in China are required to serve required numbers of hours every week at manual labour.

The plight of the students stranded in China is the result of their own headlessness. When they left Malaya, they were so enthusiastic that they made no

arrangement for re-entry into Malaya.

Official said "They are now facing the penalty for that thoughtlessness and screaming blue murder to come back. Those who accepted China's offer were duped and are now paying the penalty."—United Press.

TV Films Gave Idea For Murder

London, Mar. 26.
John Donald, accused hero of attempting to kill his wife by electrifying her bath, was alleged to have told the police: "I think it was a film I saw on I.T.V. (commercial television) on Saturday that finally decided me."

It was alleged at Feltham, on the London outskirts, that Donald had made a statement admitting that he made an electric circuit from the mains to the bath and switched on the current while his wife was bathing.

Donald, 32, was remanded in custody until April 2, charged with attempted murder of his wife Miriam.

He intimated that he would plead not guilty.—China Mail Special.

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Kissed On Both Cheeks By Woman

Scheivnengen, Mar. 26.
WHEN Queen Elizabeth stepped out of her car at this fishing town one of the old fishermen pulled out two coloured shawls from under her long black dress and threw them round the Queen's shoulders to protect her from the rain.

Then she leaned forward and to Elizabeth's surprise kissed her on both cheeks.

Amused at Elizabeth's consternation, Queen Juliana laughed loudly and said "That always happens in Holland." Juliana was also presented with a shawl.—Reuter.



Queen Elizabeth

PRINCESS MARGARET Will The Romance Be Resumed?

London, Mar. 26.
Princess Margaret, smiling happily, arrived at the Carlton for the film premiere of Ernest Hemingway's "Farewell to Arms" tonight, shortly after her three-hour reunion with Group-Captain Peter Townsend.

Thousands of Londoners were massed outside the fashionable West-End Carlton cinema when the Princess stepped out of a black Rolls-Royce, escorted by two of her friends, Captain and Mrs Smith-Ryland.

The crowd, which only a moment before had been excitedly speculating as to whether the Princess would after all marry Townsend, suddenly hushed as the Princess arrived.

A little before her arrival, the police ordered away a newspaper vendor, who was standing outside the cinema selling newspapers splashed with banner headlines: "Townsend sees Princess Margaret".

The rumours had it that the meeting had been timed to take place during the Queen's visit to the Netherlands. The Queen's opposition and, it is said, chiefly Prince Philip's marriage with Peter Townsend had been much advertised.

In would now appear that the Queen (and her husband) finally yielded to her sister's entreaties, but insisted that a new meeting between the two should not imply royal approval.

But the unaccustomed display of uniformed police before Clarence House this afternoon

indicates at least that Peter Townsend's visit was not an unforeseen event.

It would appear, on the contrary, that the timetable had been carefully worked out beforehand—before the Queen called for Holland aboard the Royal yacht Britannia on Monday—and with her Majesty's knowledge and tacit approval.

A reliable source said today that throughout his world tour (during which Townsend worked as a special correspondent for the Conservative London Daily Mail), the dashing R.A.F. officer and the Princess remained in constant touch by letter, cable and telephone.—France-Press.

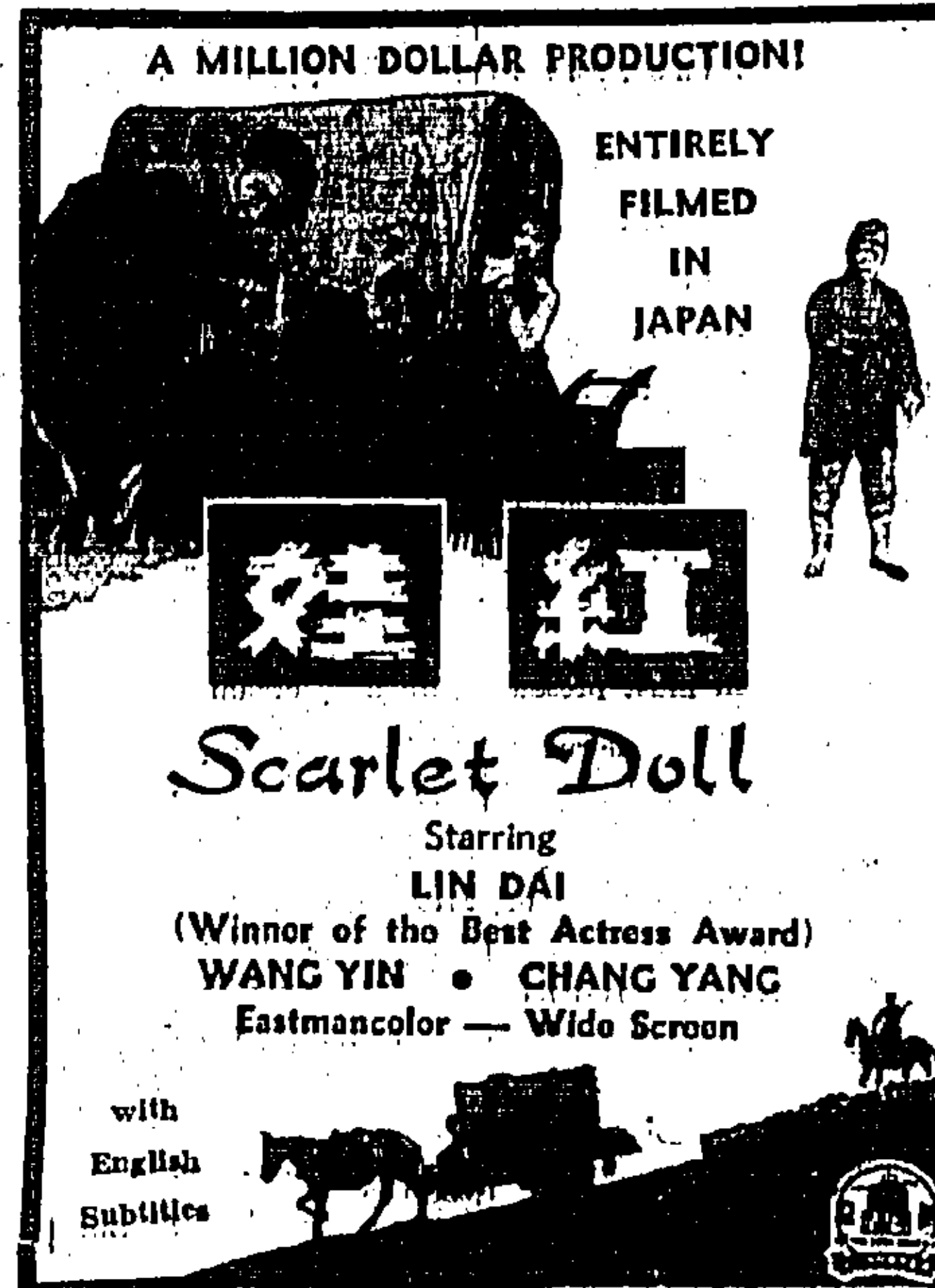
BELGIAN QUEEN IN MOSCOW

Moscow, Mar. 26.
Queen Elizabeth, Queen Dowager of the Belgians, today culled on the President of the Supreme Soviet, Marshal Klement Voroshilov.

The Queen Dowager, who arrived in Moscow earlier today, is there to attend the International Tchaikovsky piano and violin contest.—France-Press.

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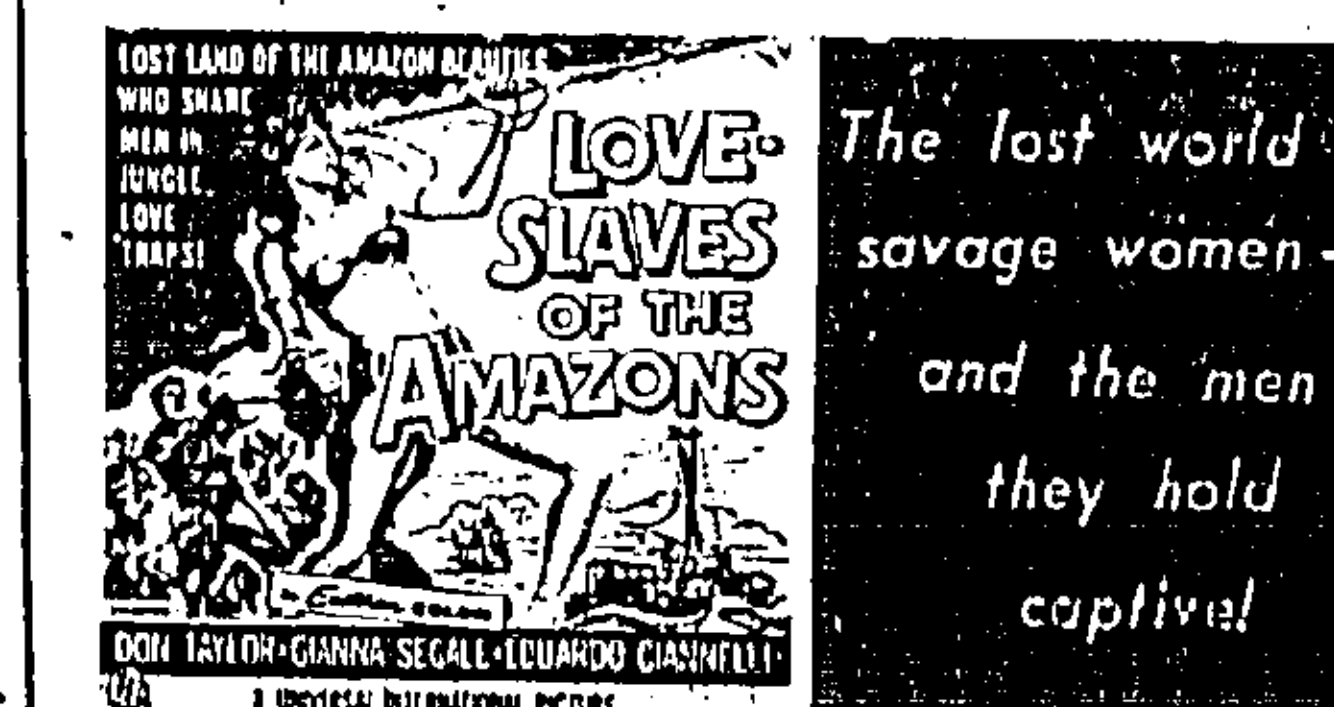
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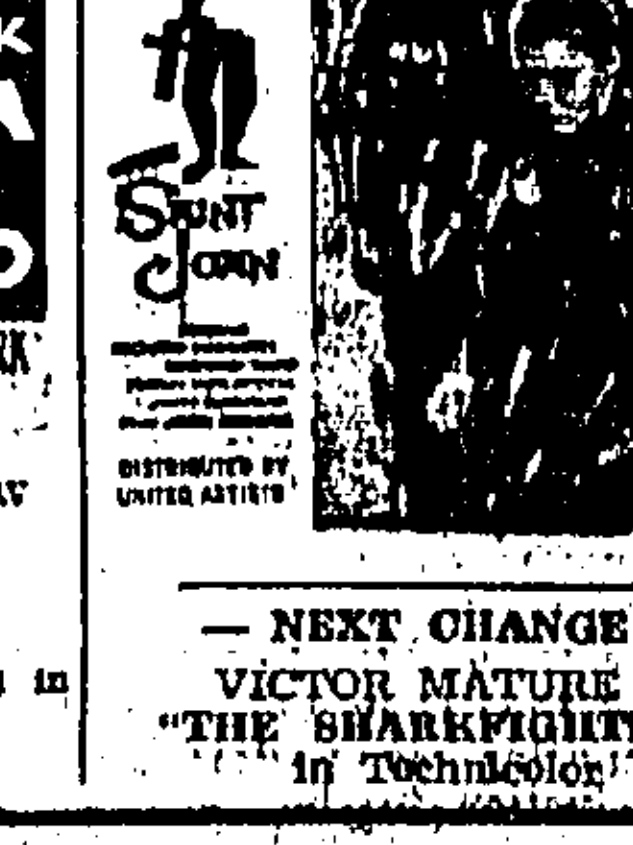
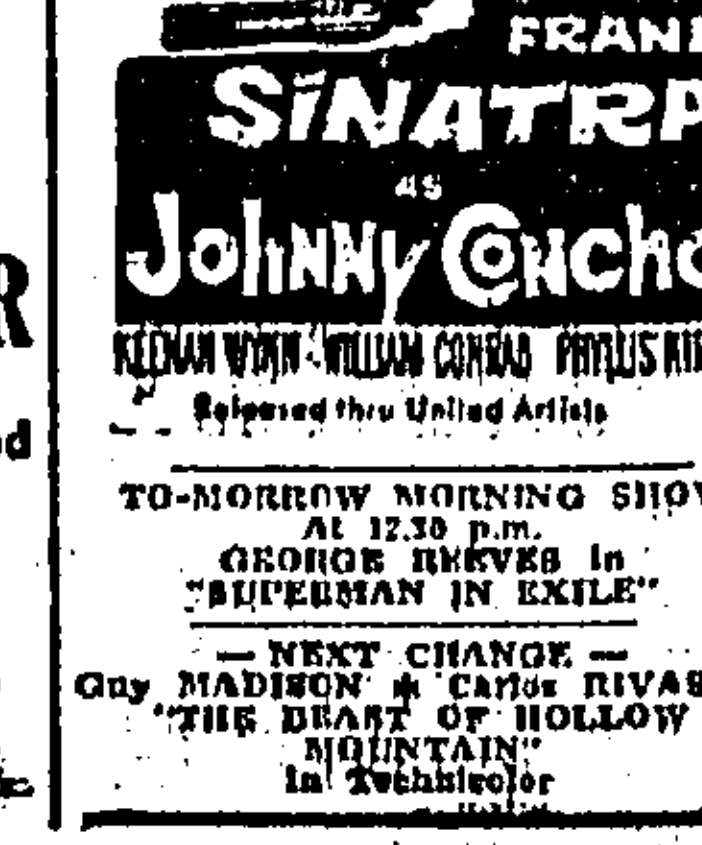
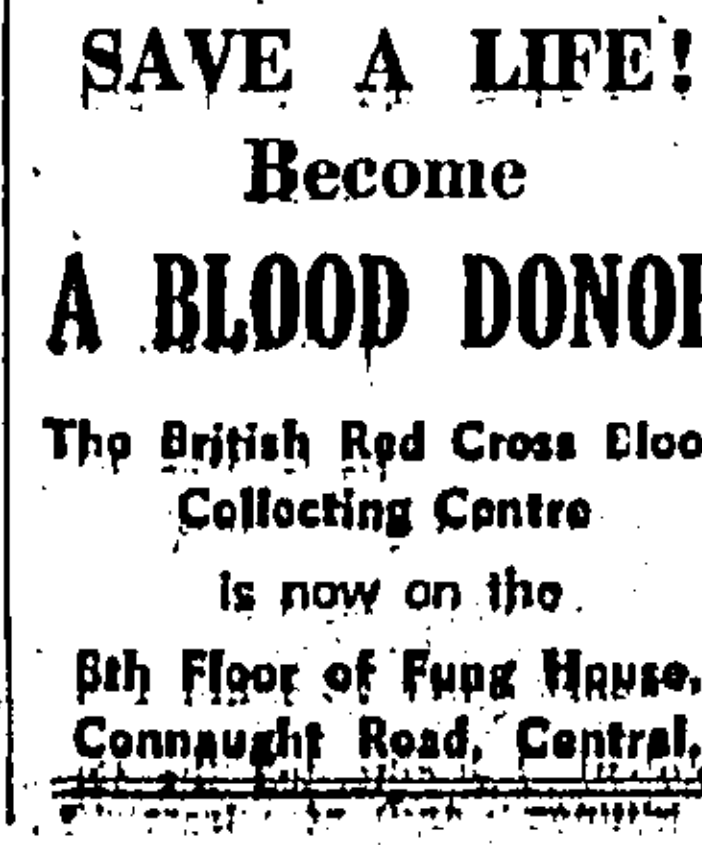
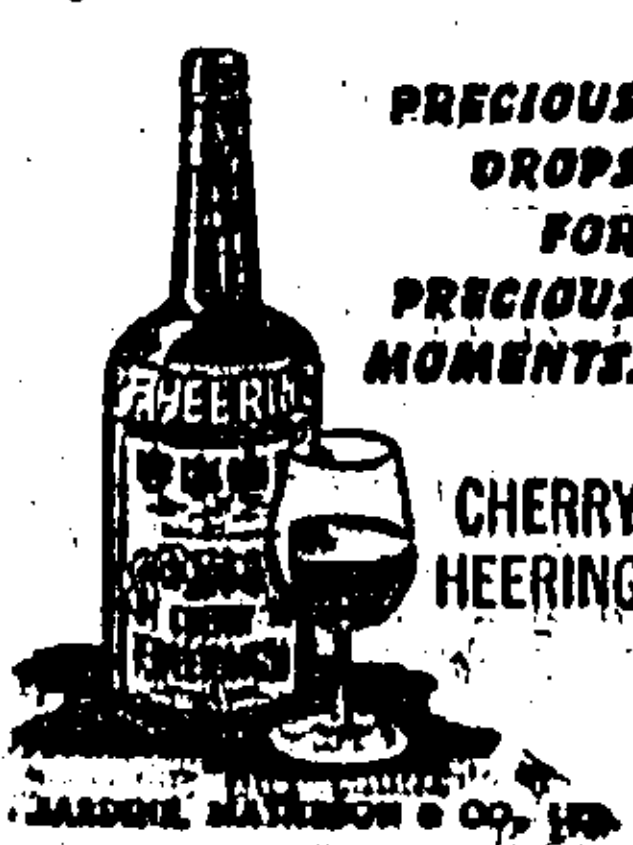
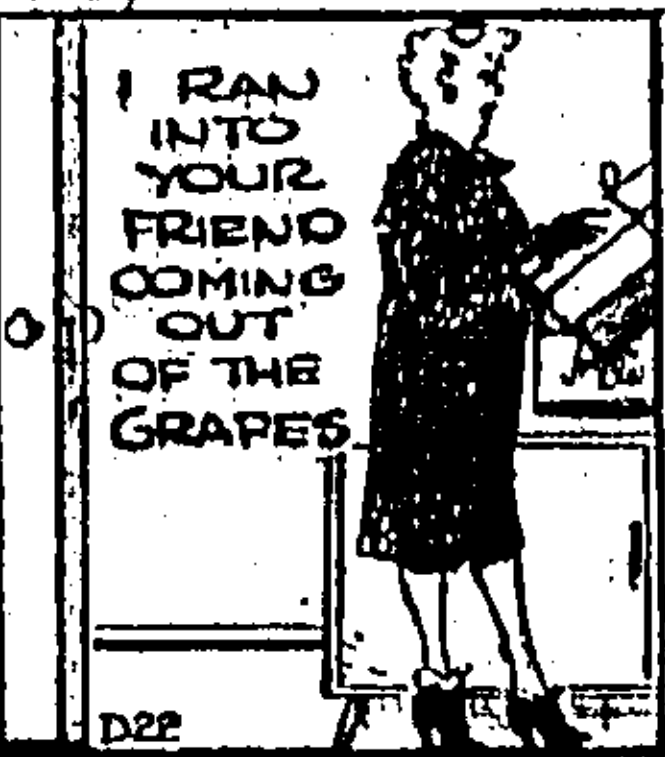
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POP



CABLE BRIEFS

Charlotte, Mar. 26. Edgar Lee Wendell's accident put him in the hospital. The 47-year-old plumber told officers he was driving along in his truck when a violent sneezing spell struck him. The next thing he knew, water was swirling around his feet. During the seizure the truck left the road and plunged into a creek. A wrecker dragged the vehicle out and Wendell was treated for cuts and bruises.—United Press.

Stevenson, Mar. 26. Town officials ordered "anti-gossip" signs to be posted on the backyards in a new housing project, to keep housewives from being pestered by gossiping neighbours.—United Press.

Windsor, Mar. 26. Frank Pritchard took Nond Gilliam's \$1.50 cheque to the bank yesterday, but officers refused to cash it. They suggested Pritchard get Gilliam to write him another. The cheque, he presented was dated September 3, 1940.—United Press.

New York, Mar. 26. The New York Herald-Tribune, commenting editorially on the drafting of Elvis Presley, said today: "He will be committed to the charge of a sergeant who hasn't heard of him, or a lieutenant who has. Either way, things could be tough."—United Press.

Quilman, Mar. 26. George Jackson, 47, loved his Florida wife, and married her. But he refused to carry the 27-year-old bride over the threshold of their new home. Mrs. Jackson weighs a little more than 600 pounds.—United Press.

Atlanta, Mar. 26. Even prisoners in Georgia are feeling the effects of recession. Fardon and the Board Chairman Hugh Curney said. They're being turned down for parole because they can't find jobs outside.—United Press.

Newcastle, Mar. 26. Sgt. John Longstaff, 32, was charged today with taking a US\$28,000 revenge for a US\$3.36 grievance. Officers said Longstaff set fire to his barracks because his Commanding Officer withheld US\$3.36 of his pay.—United Press.

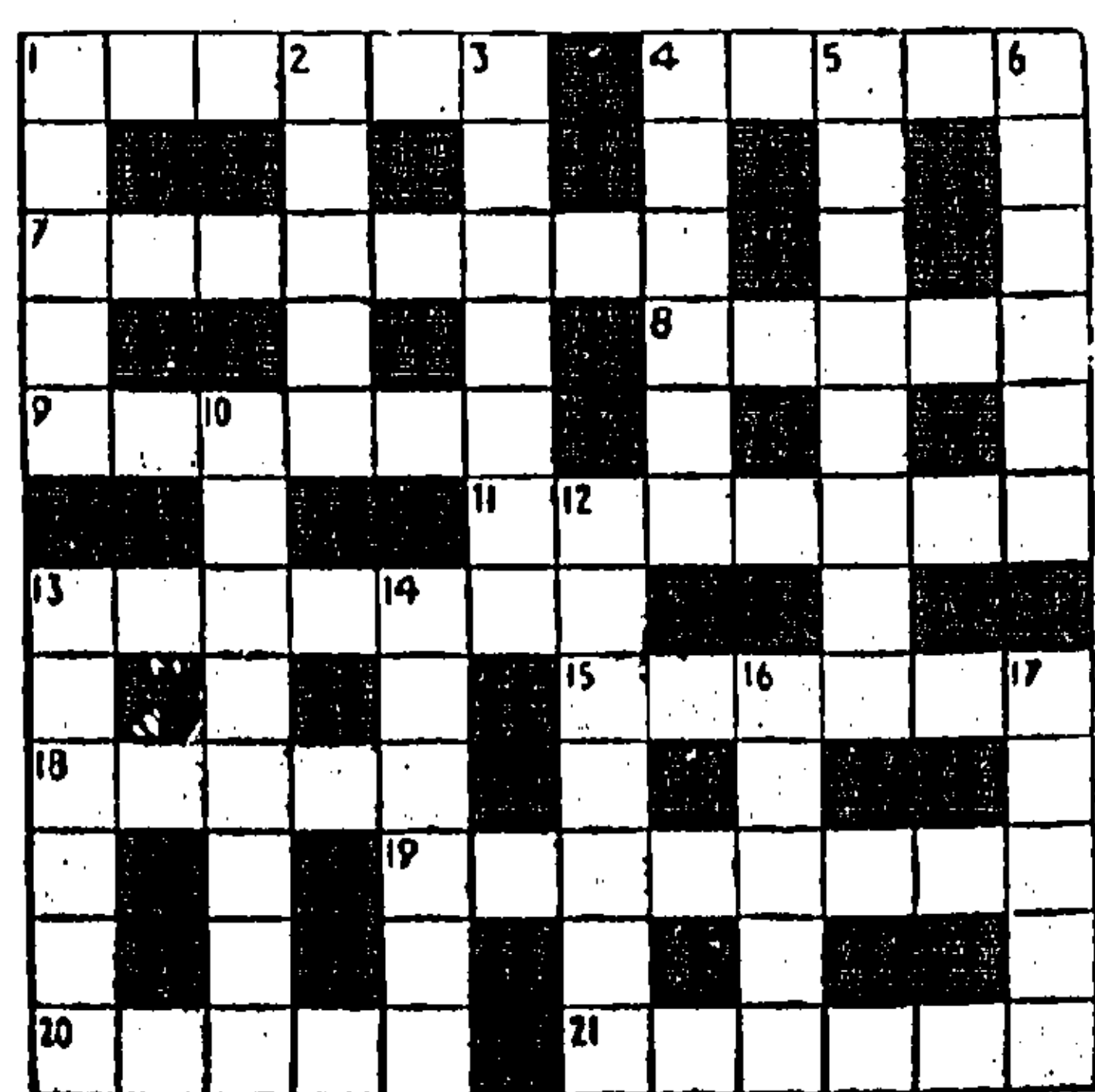
Fairlington, Mar. 26. An 82-year-old grandmother won US\$50,400 on a football pool. "Now I am going to enjoy myself," she said. "We are going to buy a bungalow and a television set and bank the rest."—United Press.

Tokyo, Mar. 26. Police reported today that in the first four days of Tokyo's "Taxi Day" 10,000 taxis were used. The taxi industry is expected to increase by 50 per cent.—United Press.

Monkey Adopts Kittens

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 26. A FEMALE monkey has adopted two motherless kittens in Pudu Road, Kuala Lumpur. The monkey, which belongs to a restaurant keeper, has taken the kittens to live with it in a box under a tree. It snarls and flings sand at anyone going too close to the kittens and is trying to teach them to eat nuts.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Surname of those dancers? (6)
 - 4 With which a stool could be made? (5)
 - 7 Min of many charms? (8)
 - 8 Male name (5)
 - 9 Land in USA? (6)
 - 11 Service recipients of tall stories? (7)
 - 12 Dish, often wooden? (7)
 - 13 Without a stitch (5)
 - 18 Model attitudes (5)
 - 19 Secondary job for the tennis-court maker? (8)
 - 20 Early morning garb, it seems (5)
 - 21 Editorial-in-chief? (6)
- DOWN**
- 1 Skinfint? (5)
 - 2 'n' rolls? (6)
 - 3 Smith, for example (7)
 - 4 Painter in a machine shop (6)
 - 5 Novel manuscript? (6)
 - 6 Upsets lighters (6)
 - 10 It is taken in camera (8)
 - 11 Sussex town? (7)
 - 12 Playing hot music? (8)
 - 14 The act of a money-spinner (4, 2)
 - 15 Kival other name (5)
 - 17 Dismal (5)

WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Elch, 4 Arrests, 8 Once, 9 Flow, 10 Unsurers, 11 Lale, 12 Mere, 14 Entrees, 17 Adorn, 19 A-tac, 22 Starters, 26 Anow, 27 Nent, 28 Incline, 29 Todd, 30 Idol, 31 Peccers, 32 Eyed, Down: 2 Told, 3 Howler, 4 Acute, 5 Recent, 6 Error, 7 Tense, 12 Mars, 13 Rosa, 15 Rhon, 18 Slow, 19 Tennis, 20 Hattie, 21 Sedate, 23 Tinge, 24 Ruler, 26 Reeds.

Questions On Mid-East & Disarmament

Dag's Talks Were 'Fruitful' Press Conference Given In Moscow

Moscow, Mar. 26. Mr Dag Hammarskjold, United Nations Secretary-General, said today his talks with Soviet leaders have been "fruitful and beneficial."

Mr Hammarskjold, who arrived here last Saturday, said he had not come to Moscow to discuss any crisis or specific problem, but to talk about "questions pertaining to all problems before the United Nations."

In reply to questions, he agreed that the Middle East and disarmament entered into his conversations with the Soviet Leaders, but added that there was no discussion of any concrete proposal.

ANOTHER BIG FLIGHT FOR SAC

Honolulu, Mar. 26. General Curtis LeMay, Deputy Chief of Staff of the Air Force, is leading two KC-135 jet tankers on a non-stop 6,000-mile flight from California to New Zealand, the United Press learned today.

The big air-refueling planes of the Strategic Air Command, military versions of the Boeing 707 jet transport, were reported to have left Castle Air Force Base, Merced, California at 0900 GMT.

LeMay, cigar-smoking former SAC Commander, who flew a KC-135 tanker non-stop 6,350 miles from Westover AFB, Massachusetts, to Buenos Aires last November 14, was on a course leading over Hawaii and then south to New Zealand, a reliable source said.

A spokesman at Hickam AFB here said he could not confirm or deny the report. Earlier Hickam said LeMay and his wife were due to attend the Royal New Zealand Air Force Day celebration on March 29 as the official US military representative.—United Press.

"We were merely taking stock of the situation as it stands," he said.

Mr Hammarskjold spoke to Western and Soviet correspondents from the blue-draped stage of Moscow's House of Journalists.

Mr Hammarskjold agreed that disarmament was at the centre of world tension and was the predominant United Nations problem.

The United Nations interest in a solution was "clearly understood by all governments, including the Soviet government."

A correspondent asked whether the necessity of bringing disarmament negotiations back to the United Nations was one of the reasons for his presence.

Mr Hammarskjold replied that he never considered it decisive where the decisions were taken, but all United Nations members had an interest in a solution which could be arrived at at a possible summit conference.

(The Soviet government has recently stated its refusal to rejoin the United Nations Disarmament Sub-Commission from which it walked out last year. Russian spokesmen have described the Western powers' plan for an enlarged commission as a manoeuvre to delay measures for the convening of a summit conference.)

Mr Hammarskjold said the United Nations would be happy to serve the participants of a summit conference if it was decided to hold such a conference in New York.

Mr Hammarskjold said the United Nations provided a platform for the views of all its members and "even the best organized meeting was no substitute for United Nations procedure."

Asked whether he had found any of the nuclear powers willing unilaterally to renounce nuclear weapons and suspend tests, Mr Hammarskjold replied "the question is hypothetical, but I do not see much practical likelihood of anyone taking such a step."

Mr Hammarskjold said he had not seen the Soviet Prime Minister, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, who is presumably in Moscow for the Supreme Soviet session opening tomorrow.

Tonight Mr Hammarskjold attended a dinner at the Swedish Legation in Moscow.—Reuter.

People Are Tired Of Rockets And Atom Bombs

—KHRUSHCHEV

New York, Mar. 27.

Mr Nikita Khrushchev, Soviet Communist Party leader, said in an interview published today that people are tired of reports about rockets, hydrogen and atomic explosions, and bombers.

He told two American executives of the business newspaper, the Journal of Commerce: "You have your political system and we have ours. But this should not hinder our countries from living in peace, co-existing, maintaining good business ties between us."

DAY OF SPRING

The interview, with Mr Eric Ridder, proprietor of the newspaper, and Mr H.E. Liedtke, its editor, took place on March 22 in Moscow. Mr Khrushchev said at one point, according to the re-printed interview, "This is the day of Spring. It would be gratifying if you could be the first swallows."

A FIERCE FLURRY OF FEATHERS



SARAWAK'S national sport — cock-fighting — amuses a large gathering at its Leper Colony. Most combats are staged on weekends, when proud owners bring their birds to the village "padang" for an evening's entertainment. — Keystone.

Chinese Withdraw—But S. Korea Is On Guard

—We Won't Be Lulled Into Complacency—

Seoul, Mar. 27. The Republic of Korea will not be lulled into military complacency by the withdrawal of Chinese troops from North Korea and the Communists' "peace" manoeuvres, one of the top ROK commanders said today. Lt. Gen. Yu Jae Hung, Chairman of the ROK Joint Chiefs of Staff, told United Press the Republic of Korea is "certainly happy" to see the Chinese troops withdrawn from North Korea.

'St Louis Blues' Composer Is Ill

New York, Mar. 26.

The condition of blues composer W. C. Handy was "very much improved" today, officials at Sydenham Hospital said.

The 84-year-old Handy was taken to the hospital on Sunday night, suffering from bronchial pneumonia. He was in a semi-coma most of yesterday, a spokesman said, but is "mentally clearer today."

The spokesman disclosed that his general condition appears to be somewhat restful. His temperature has dropped to 99.8.

The composer of "St Louis Blues" and "Memphis Blues" suffered a stroke three years ago. He has been blind for 17 years.—United Press.

But the military leader pointed out that it is a move long overdue and one for which the United Nations has called repeatedly without success.

He admitted the withdrawal of the estimated 350,000 Chinese troops from North Korea means South Korea will have larger and more powerful armed forces than North Korea.

But he quickly explained the overall Communist strength in the "Korean Theatre" will remain the same as now.

"What it actually means," he said, "is the Chinese now will be in a better position strategically. They can withdraw their forces across the Yalu River into Manchuria and gain numerous advantages."

The most obvious advantage of the move, he said, is to shorten the lines of supply and communication for the Communists.

The suave, 36-year-old Yu, who rose from Captain to Lieutenant General in the six-year period from 1946 to 1952, said he and other ROK military commanders will not be fooled by any such "trick" manoeuvre on the part of the Communists.

"We certainly will not relax our guard in the slightest," he said. "And we are not likely to re-organize our defensive set-up in any way as a result of the Chinese troop withdrawal."

He said the Chinese still will have the ability to move back into position in North Korea in "very short order"—within ten days "at the very most."—United Press.

INDONESIA AGREES

Djakarta, Mar. 26.

Indonesia "fully agrees" with a proposal made recently by Ceylon's Prime Minister, Mr Solomon Bandaranaike, to convene a conference among African countries to discuss trade matters and economic cooperation, Dr Subandrio, the Foreign Minister, said today, according to PIA news agency.—Reuter.

Sputnik's Progress

London, Mar. 26.

Britain is passing information on the last days of Sputnik II on to Russian scientists, it was announced today. Professor A. C. P. Lovell, head of the Jodrell Bank Observatory, said the giant radio-telescope there—the largest in the world—has been tracking Sputnik II for the past four days.—United Press.

NO PRIVATE PRACTICE FOR LAWYERS

Vienna, Mar. 26.

Hungary has abolished private legal practice, Hungarian newspapers reaching here today revealed.

The newspapers said a new decree announced by Ferenc Nezeval, Hungarian Minister of Justice, banned private practice by lawyers, dissolved the Hungarian Lawyers' Guild and replaced it by a "Lawyers' Collective."

"Many lawyers were not only incapable of fulfilling the tasks but also hampered the work of our courts," Nezeval was quoted as saying. "We have therefore decided to dissolve the Lawyers' Guild."

"All undesirable elements will be purged from the ranks of lawyers," Nezeval added.—United Press.

Australia's Bodgies Don't Amuse Mr Muggeridge

Melbourne, Mar. 26.

The former editor of Punch, Mr Malcolm Muggeridge, toured Melbourne late last night to get a close view of the city's bodgies, widgees and larrikins.

What he saw did not amuse him. He was introduced to a typical cross-section of the youths that roam the streets at night, loiter in dimly-lit shops or puke the rock and roll dance halls in the suburbs.

None of the youths Mr Muggeridge met was more than 17 years of age.

There were youths with affected American accents and convulsions for larceny and assault, teenagers in garish clothes and girls and boys with dull eyes and expressionless faces wearing Elvis Presley discs and chains.

DANCE HALL

When Mr Muggeridge visited a dance hall, Dennis, Mr Muggeridge's bodgie guide, pointed out some of the characters. "That one with the... this one really hitting it up."

"I Tried To Save My Girl"

FIVE DIE IN PLANE DISASTER OFF FLORIDA COAST

Ft Lauderdale, Fla., Mar. 26. A rented plane carrying four adults and two children on a carefree sightseeing trip crash-landed in the ocean less than three miles offshore last night. The single survivor charged that an airport crew in Nassau failed to refuel the plane.

A New 'Battle Of Dunkirk' Over Film Differences Of Opinion

London, Mar. 26.

A new "Battle of Dunkirk" is being waged here over the British film epic which tells the story of the historic retreat from the beaches in 1940.

The conflict of opinion is between 88-year-old Major General Lord Burnham, managing director of the Daily Telegraph, who took part in the battle of the beaches and the producer and director of the film, who spent half a million sterling in re-creating it.

Lord Burnham, in a letter to the Daily Telegraph this week, deplored the "unmilitary aspect" of the film.

He commanded a division in France before the evacuation, and later became Director of Public Relations at the War Office.

CONFUSED

He complained: "In the confused mazes on the dunes, there is no sign of any ordered procedure, nor do we see a single officer. My recollection is different."

"I saw units suitably dispersed under their own officers and waiting for their turn, and immediately turned-out officers, walking up and down the beach organising the evacuation."

Admittedly, there were "practical difficulties" in making the film, Lord Burnham said: "Those who were there can only regret this picture was so presented to the world as an epic of Dunkirk."

Replying to these criticisms in a letter to the Daily Telegraph today, Sir Michael Balcan, producer, and Mr Leslie Norman, director, said Lord Burnham's statements were "unjustified."—China Mail Special.

Kathmandu, Mar. 26.

The second Asian socialist parties conference opened here today with a simple two-minute silence ceremony in memory of the 20 victims of the Nepalese air disaster.—France-Press.

SOBBING

"We assumed that the plane had been refuelled when they left at 4.05 p.m.," the sobbing survivor told Deputy Sheriff Al Topal. A short time later pilot Hugh Wilkinson expressed surprise that one of the fuel tanks was empty and switched back to the other.

The plane was within eight of the airport tower at Ft. Lauderdale when the fuel gave out. A radio call to report the ditching got no answer from the tower.

"Wilkinson made a beautiful landing in the water and we all climbed out on the wing unhurt," Selles said. "It was then that we discovered there were no life jackets aboard."

When the plane sank five minutes later the men panicked their wives not to panic and each man took his own child in his arms.

"I tried to hold my little girl's head above water," Selles said, sobbing. "But later the waves blew up and I realised she had drowned."—United Press.

\$25.5 Million Paid For Newspaper

TORONTO STAR SOLD FOR RECORD PRICE

Toronto, Mar. 26.

The Toronto Star, Canada's largest daily newspaper, today was sold for \$25,555,021, the largest amount ever known to have been paid for a single newspaper property.

The newspaper was bought by a group which included the son and grandson of the newspaper's late founder and president, Mr Joseph Atkinson, and trustees of his estate. They made the purchase as the Hawthorn Company.

Among the directors of the new company are Mr Joseph Atkinson Junior, and Mr Harry Hindmarsh, the late father's grandson.

Mr Justice J. L. McLennan approved the sale on the condition that if the newspaper were re-sold within five years, all profits of such a sale go to the Atkinson Charitable Foundation.

The late Mr Atkinson left his controlling interest in the newspaper to the Foundation, which himself established, when he died in 1948. In 1949 the Charitable Gifts Act enacted by the Ontario Provincial Legislature imposed limits on the interest in a business which might be held for charitable purposes. The trustees were ordered to sell the newspaper.—Reuter.

SOVIET STUDY OF ATOM

Moscow, Mar. 26.

A Soviet chemist reported to a recent meeting of the Russian Academy of sciences that Russian scientists are progressing in their study of controlled thermonuclear reactions.

A. V. Topichyev's report was quoted in yesterday's Pravda. In it he said that work on controlling thermonuclear reactions was proceeding well at the Soviet Institute of Atomic Energy.—United Press.

THE SPY SPEAKS

What has happened to the brilliant brain of atom-spy Fuchs? The most intriguing disclosure ever to come out of a British prison

THE REPORT IS BY CHAPMAN PINCHER

THE brilliant brain of atom-spy Klaus Fuchs has now languished for eight years in the intellectual vacuum of prison. What has happened in that time?

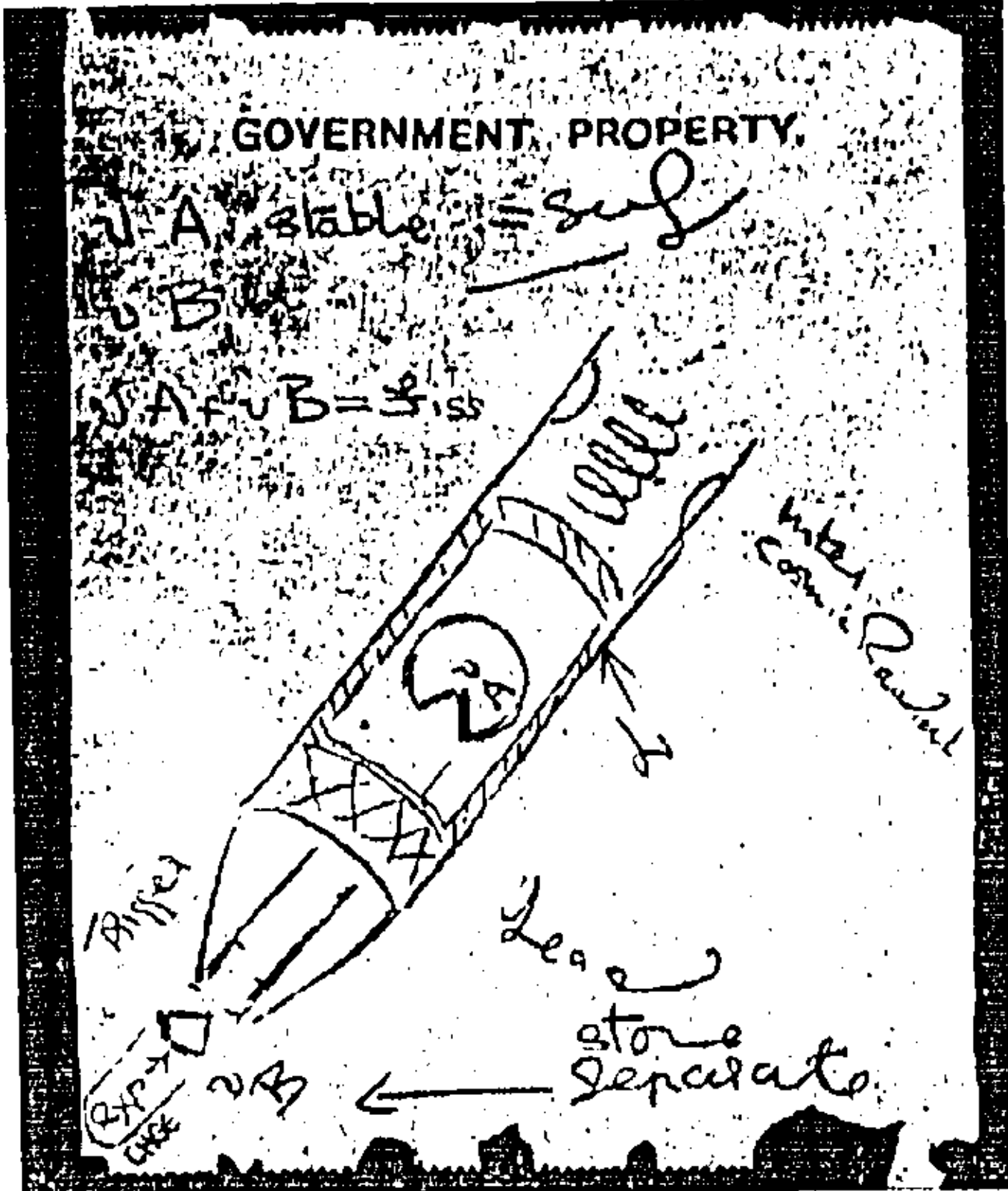
How well has the mind, once rated "in the Einstein class," withstood its sudden severing from the stream of scientific thought and discovery which nourished it?

Will it be too corroded through disuse for Fuchs to take up atom work of the calibre in which he was once pre-eminent when he emerges from Wakefield Gaol, aged 48, next year?

For two weeks I have interrogated a man who claims he can answer these questions. He is Brian Donald Hume, the ex-convict who formed as close a friendship with Fuchs in prison as any non-scientific person ever could.

Hume claims he wrote down every interesting utterance by Fuchs while they were together. In support he gave me scraps of prison paper and old laundry lists on which Fuchs had made private calculations and explained scientific problems.

Experts are satisfied that these documents are



The kind of unbelievable document two important prisoners exchanged

ON A SHEET OF TOILET PAPER FUCHS SKETCHED FOR HUME THE PRINCIPLE OF THE HIROSHIMA BOMB.

genuine. Indeed the security authorities have insisted on deleting some of the technical information which Hume says Fuchs gave him.

Here then, as disclosed through the observations of Hume, are the workings of the mind of Dr Klaus Fuchs, Harwell atom scientist and self-confessed Communist who was sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment for spying for Russia in 1950.

TREACHERY

His views on his own treachery.

Fuchs is convinced he prevented a third World War by giving the secrets of the atom bomb and the H-bomb to Russia.

This was the beginning of the balance of devastating power on which the peace-keeping "deterrent policy" of both sides is now openly based.

He believes the Russians worked at phenomenal speed to produce an atom bomb because they feared an attack by America was otherwise inevitable.

Fuchs claims that the AMERICANS decided to put the H-bomb into production only when they realised how much information about it he must have given to the Russians.

Truman announced the project on January 31, 1950—two months after G-men of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had become satisfied from information supplied by M.I.5 that Fuchs had been a traitor.

Fuchs, who had worked with Dr Edward Teller, "Father of the H-bomb," in 1947, admits he starts giving the Russians up-to-date information on the H-bomb almost immediately, supplying some of the "theoretical mechanics of the triggering the H-bomb" in 1948.

When Fuchs went to Germany on a British post-war mission—with a temporary rank of brigadier—he contacted former friends in the German Communist Party.

About Japan he thought there was no military need to drop the second atom bomb on Nagasaki—which killed 39,000 Japanese. This was done because U.S. Air Command was anxious to test two types of bombs on different targets to see which was the more efficient. Fuchs claims he worked on reducing the critical size of

the explosive in the first atomic bomb. The drawing he gave to Hume on Government Property Paper shows the principle of how the Hiroshima atom bomb worked. (The Atomic Energy Authority confirms that much of the work Fuchs did is still classified "top secret.")

SECURITY

On M.I.5—the organisation which induced him to confess.

British security, says Fuchs, is symbolised by a very fine veneer on top and complete departmental confusion underneath.

M.I.5 lives on its past traditions like the Navy. He considers that the security men have no idea how to deal with spies who betray secrets as he did, for idealistic reasons.

He confessed to M.I.5 man William Skardon only because the atmosphere at Harwell was becoming intolerable for many of his friends who were being interrogated and had fallen more gravely under suspicion than he had.

[Fuchs is mistaken. The number of Harwell suspects was rapidly narrowed to three and the evidence soon concentrated on him. M.I.5 regards the Fuchs case as one of its most brilliant. Almost all his serious spying was done in the U.S. After a tip from America M.I.5 caught Fuchs when he attempted to make his next contact with a Russian agent.]

SOVIET CASH

On the Russian spy network.

This was so good that when the first U.S. atomic explosion was staged under great secrecy in the New Mexico desert on July 16, 1945, the Russians knew about it within 24 hours. Their agents, who had contacted Fuchs before, sought him out and questioned him about the production rate of bombs.

He claims he took money from the Russians only once as a symbol of allegiance. He repeatedly refused money afterwards even to cover expenses, to show he could not be bribed into betraying secrets.

Laurent Beria, the liquidated Soviet police chief, made Russia's atomic age possible by his untiring intrigues in obtaining atomic secrets from foreign spies.

VENGEANCE

On Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

The U.S. Communists executed for espionage in June 1953, after being tracked down from a tip given by Fuchs.

Fuchs is convinced they were guilty but were executed as an act of vengeance because the U.S. Government was determined to show that treason would not be tolerated. He believes they could have saved themselves from the electric chair by co-operating with the F.B.I., but preferred to be martyrs.

WITCHHUNT

On Bruno Pontecorvo—

the fellow Harwell scientist who fled to Russia in the autumn of 1950.

He was frightened into running away by the "supercilious manner in which M.I.5 carried out its periodic witchhunts."

Hume, an observant and far from unintelligent man, believes that Fuchs's mind, though starved of scientific stimulus, is still an exceptional reasoning machine.

He thinks that when Fuchs emerges to freedom next year, bolder, but otherwise in better physical shape than when he was sentenced, he will be able to pick up the threads of atomic research within six months.

TOMORROW

Where will he go when he comes out?

Mid-week Selection by Friell



"Hey, I'll have a lamp-post outside my window, any type will do."



"It's a problem! How could we go to a meeting we thought would fail, and if we did go how could it succeed?"



"It is time to change shifts, Marcel, give me the poster and you take my baton."



"Now why shouldn't we drop in on them casual like, with a prepared agenda . . . ?"



"It could be the end of all our troubles, he's invented a bomb that falls out upwards."



"I want you to enjoy yourself and have your breakfast in bed tomorrow dear."



"Of course, you know you have to have the legs for it."

DOES IT GIVE YOU A PAIN IN THE NECK?

MR HUNT came into my surgery, a frightened man. In fact he had waited months before he came to see me. He'd felt a little lump in his neck and vaguely wondered what it was. Sometimes late at night, just before going to bed, he'd wondered: "Is it serious?"

He said: "It's always been at the back of my mind." Then one evening, fingering the lump in his neck absent-mindedly as he read the paper, he thought, "Why, it's getting bigger." And he became really anxious.

He thought that when he finally saw me I would wear a black cap. This happens to millions of people. Yet when they do arrive at the surgery the doctor merely laughs. Says as I did to Mr Hunt: "We can get that cleared up easily enough. What you've had it so long? Why didn't you come before?"

"You mean it's nothing? It certainly had me worried doctor," Mr Hunt confessed.

Lumps and bumps generally do not signify anything grave at all. And if they should represent something more serious—though it's a thousand to one that they don't—an early diagnosis can allow for effective treatment and cure.

All in a doctor's day: by CEDRIC CARNE

way he made his neck muscles tense, so that no doctor could feel the underlying structures. "Let your chin drop a little and relax," I said.

When the swelling in the neck is believed to be the result of enlarged lymphatic neck glands, then it may mean that there is an area of infection in the vicinity. Say, on the scalp, in the mouth, or in the ear.

"Oh, but I've had this swelling in my neck a long time. I don't think it can be due to infected tonsils or some such," Mr Hunt protested.

EVEN MUMPS...

Take Mr Hunt's bump in the neck. Even before I examined it a number of conditions ran through my head. Scores of conditions varying from glands and cysts to mumps. The very fact that a lump in the neck could be one of so many benign things was news to Mr Hunt. Like many others he was just too cancer-minded.

"But anxiety itself is a disease," I pointed out.

I stood behind him, about to examine his neck. Mr Hunt, like every person whose neck is about to be examined, threw back his head in the belief that he was facilitating my examination. But by extending his head in this

LONG-TERM

But of course a local chronic infection will lead to a chronic, that is to say, long-term, enlargement of lymph glands. Thus, chronic tonsillitis or a smouldering infection of the teeth and gums can be responsible for a swelling in the neck that's been present for a long time.

"Except my teeth are perfect," Mr Hunt said, "and everything else is O.K."

On examination I found that the lump or swelling Mr Hunt was worried about, in fact was not beneath the skin but in the skin. It wasn't a gland at all. It was only a sebaceous cyst. "What's that?" Mr Hunt asked.



The doctor laughs.

In the skin are minute glands which secrete an oily material, necessary for the health of our skin. If the outlet of one of these microscopic glands becomes blocked for any reason the sebaceous gland becomes larger and larger as it fills up with the oily material. And it will go on to form a cyst.

EASILY REMOVED

"These cysts," I said, "are extremely common. Masses of people have them. And unnecessarily worry about them. They may occur anywhere on the skin, not merely in the neck region."

Not unusually they become infected. Fortunately they can be removed easily enough, under a local anaesthetic. Once removed they do not recur, in short, Mr Hunt had nothing to worry about and the sebaceous cyst could be removed in a jiffy.

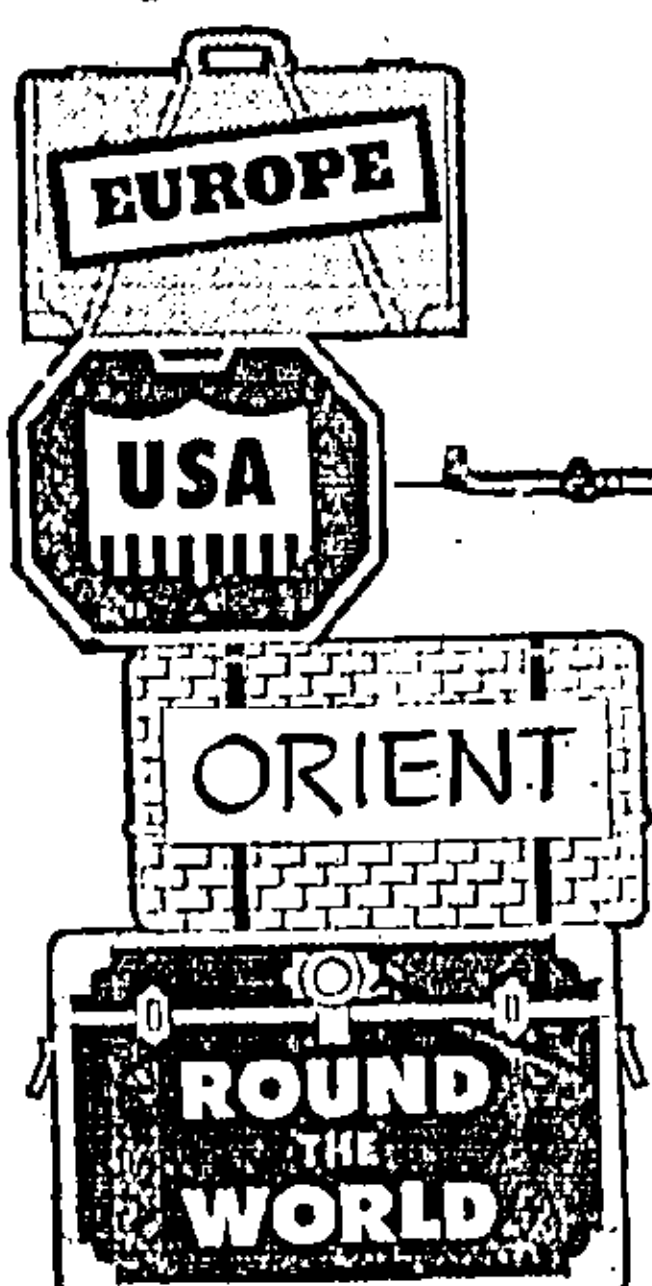
"Even as I write tens of thousands like Mr Hunt could be reassured that nothing is seriously wrong if only they'd whistle up enough courage to visit their G.P.s. Probably they'd knock on the door with set, stern faces. The vast majority would come out smiling."

ARTIE...



"And no summit talk, please!"

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• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

WELSHMEN must have been puzzled when they read that a film which was to have been made in China is now to be made in Wales because Wales was found to be more like China.

The Chinese would not agree. I will wager they no longer believe it.

"Inside the aquarium"

It was remarked the other day that too many plays open conventionally. There is nothing like an unusual opening to stimulate the audience's interest. For instance: Scene: An aquarium. The aquarium keeper is trying dabs in a corner. (Note the symbolism.) Enter from the left, a farmer in leggings. Already the audience will be agog to know what on earth it is all about. In the

breathless silence you can hear a 2lb. box of chocolates fall.

Farmer: I seem to be in the wrong place.

Aquarium keeper: Is anyone ever in the right place?

Farmer: We are all swimming about aimlessly like these fish.

Aquarium keeper: Even if these fish had an aim, what good would it do them?

And so on.

How it will work

ON the first 10-5-7th miles of the selected roads out of towns it will be forbidden to park, in areas where there is no speed limit, less than 23-1-8th yards from a zebra crossing, unless undesignated or de-designated within the 80 miles an hour speed limit, as applied to the redesignated stretches of an unrestricted road with less than 12 traffic lights in the first eight miles from the prohibited zone, unless otherwise stated. But in restricted zones, where the zebra crossings are more than eight yards across, excluding the two kerbs, concerning traffic must reverse at a roundabout which is less than 30 yards from an undesignated stretch of decontrolled road.

Printer's frolic

Who, she wondered, could have sent her that superb bouquet of red noses.

(From a serial story.)

SOME clown, no doubt. Yet, she told herself, it must be someone who thinks that I collect false noses. "Put these in water, Maggie," she said absently, looking at her astonished maid.

TARGET

R	A	T
G	U	
V	Y	I

small squares may be used once only. Each word must contain the large letter in the centre square, and there must be at least one more letter on each side. No plurals, no foreign words, no proper names. **SOLUTION:** RATTLESNAY, GULL, VIOLET.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

THURSDAY, MARCH 27

BORN today, you like to make plans on a large scale and follow them through. Personally, you dislike the detail work entailed in pressing some huge enterprise, and this is where your executive ability will stand you in good stead. You know how to select the right people for the right job. You let others attend to the routine while you use your energies in formulating new and exciting ideas.

It is likely that you would do well in public relations, advertising, politics and selling. You enjoy travelling and any business which keeps you on the move will make you happy. You grow stale if you stay in one place too long. Monday will keep you from having a new idea if you begin to feel frustrated or humiliated in your environment then you should seek greener pastures. You thrive on change and activity. You have a keen sense of humour, and in conversation you are something of a wit. You make friends easily and are usually found in the

centre of any group. You women are exceptionally intuitive and act almost entirely upon hunches. You rarely are able to give a reason for your actions. But fortunately for you, it is usually the right move. You men have the same tendency to act upon hunches. You let your "accute, snap judgment" lead you. You demand a certain amount of kind attention all the time and will be happiest if you are while young so that you have your own adoring family growing up around you. You are devoted to family and will do everything in your power to make them happy and contented.

Among those born on this date were: King Louis XVIII of France; Ruth Hanna McCormick, Illinois, publisher and legislator; George S. Cline, financier; Gertrude Ward and Gloria Swanson, actresses, and Vladimir Lenin, noted orator.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Deal with the public and be successful in some important business deal. Take time out, however, for romance, too.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—You will find that domestic interests take up your time now. A bright idea may further your romance!

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Clear the decks for an exciting evening. Get some recreation this morning. Be ready for action tomorrow.

Cancer (June 22-July 23)—Don't attempt anything spectacular today. Act on your intuitive guidance and advance your personal affairs.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—This may be an exciting day. Your ambitions are high and you want to reach the moon! Make a try for it.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Conditions improve for you, too. New ideas in the realm of the creative arts can bring new profits and success.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—News contacts can bring increased business benefits. It can be extremely interesting on the social level, as well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Recently co-operation can be helpful at the office and at home. Accept assistance with a smile.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—Domestic duties probably take first place in your activities now. Better some pending problem satisfactorily.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—A new and interesting pattern in your family and business life can make its appearance today, bringing pleasure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—This day is again turned to your favour. Accomplish a great deal and make up for any time lost

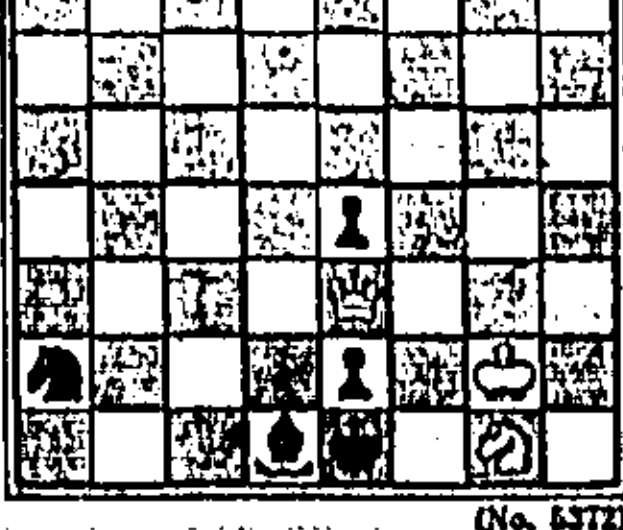
previously.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Fishes take calculated risks in accomplishing important tasks involving domestic and business affairs.



CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



A problem by F. Berthaut (Chess Amateur, 1929). White mates in two.

LONDON EXPRESS SERVICE

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Slam Bid On Low Count

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE North and South holdings in today's hand have been used as the basis for my Card Sense questions of the past several days. The bidding of the hand is so instructive that I am going to show the whole hand and discuss it thoroughly.

South's hand had only 11 high card points but is definitely worth an opening bid. There is nothing wrong with West's double either.

North decided, to redouble rather than jump right to four spades. He had 11 high card points and very good distribution.

East's two-heart call was also very proper. Some people might have jumped.

South's immediate jump to three spades is a most unusual bid. His partner had asked him to wait by redoubling but South

NORTH		WEST		EAST	
♠	QJ84	♠	103	♠	2
♥	Q94	♥	AJ86	♥	K107632
♦	—	♦	AQ1073	♦	J852
♣	—	♣	KJ	♣	—
SOUTH (D)		SOUTH (D)		SOUTH (D)	
♠	AQ10765	♠	AQ10765	♠	AQ10765
♥	—	♥	—	♥	—
♦	—	♦	—	♦	—
♣	—	♣	—	♣	—
Both vulnerable		Both vulnerable		Both vulnerable	
South West North East		South West North East		South West North East	
1 ♠ Double Redbl 2 ♥		1 ♠ Double Redbl 2 ♥		1 ♠ Double Redbl 2 ♥	
3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass		3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass		3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass	
4 ♥ Pass 5 ♥ Pass		4 ♥ Pass 5 ♥ Pass		4 ♥ Pass 5 ♥ Pass	
Pass Pass		Pass Pass		Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♥A		Opening lead—♥A		Opening lead—♥A	

was not interested in hearing a double-of-hearts from North and South liked his hand.

Now North made a really brilliant bid. Most players would have simply bid four spades on the theory that the redouble had already shown their full strength but North saw no harm in a four-club bid just to see what South would do.

South also became brilliant. He might have signed off at four spades but he saw no harm in showing his heart void. He only held 11 points but his hand looked slamish if North had spade support and a good club suit.

The four-heart bid was enough for North. He visualised no spade or heart losers. He held only one diamond and if a club finesse was needed it ought to be right. North leaped to six spades.

A fine example of a proper slam bid with almost nothing in the combined hands.

♥ CARD SENSE ♦

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 NT Pass
You, South, hold:
♠ A K 8 6 5 ♥ 5 4 3 ♦ 8 7 6 ♣ A 10 5

What do you do?

A—Bid three no-trump. Your hand is of a no-trump pattern and there is no reason to suggest spades any more for the final contract.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered.

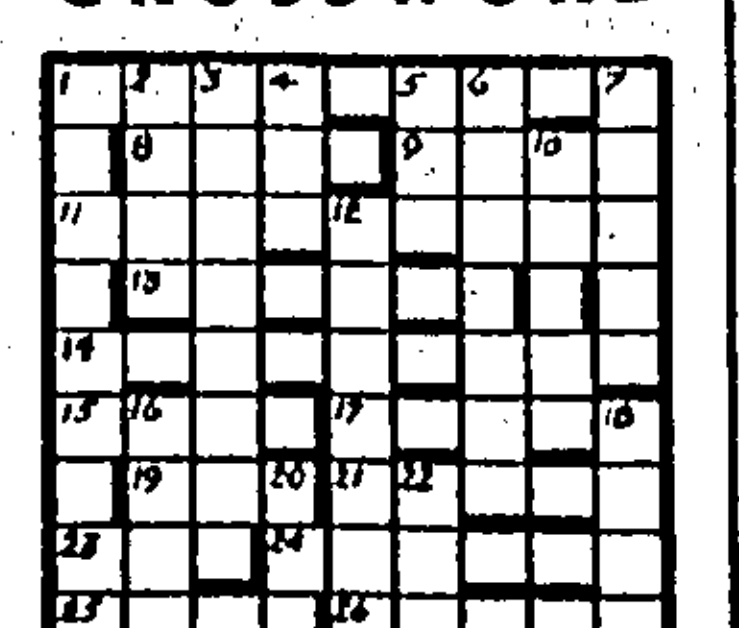
You, South, hold:

♠ A K 8 6 5 ♥ 5 4 3 ♦ 8 7 6 ♣ A 10 5

What do you do after your partner's two no-trump rebid?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Communications man. (9)

2. Once militant colonist. (4)

3. Bath. (4)

4. Particularly fast stream? (5, 4)

5. Short time. (6)

6. Brings. (9)

7. Twine. (5)

8. Non-sense. (5)

9. Conjunction. (5)

10. Trial. (6)

11. Sings. (6)

12. Insect. (4)

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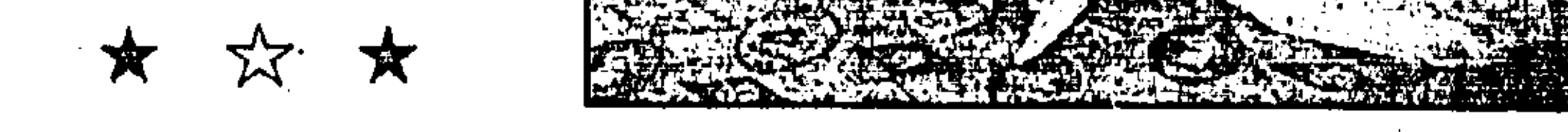
WOMANSENSE

Youthful And In Fashion



AT LEFT: A cone-shaped coat for Spring. One of the leading Paris designers has created this tapered and pyramid shaped coat in heavy pink ottoman silk, to be worn over a cone-shaped moss green shantung dress.

AT RIGHT: Scottish model Deldre Mackenzie wears this white rayon jersey dress. The looped train of nylon organza is in tangerine. — Central Press Photos Ltd.



Can You Point With Pride?



PLAYING bridge, you glance down at your hands—they're rough, red, dreadful-looking!

You shake hands with your well-manicured hostess and suddenly discover—disconcertingly that your own polish is chipped and in need of repair!

An attractive man leans over to light your cigarette and you're embarrassingly conscious that your hands appear anything but pretty!

ALWAYS ON DISPLAY

Such things happen every day, for hands are always on display. Almost everything we do, calls attention to their appearance.

You'd think women would realize this, but they don't, until such incidents occur.

Hands need plenty of TLC—tender, loving, care. They take a beating and often show it.

Daily they should be slathered with lotion or cream. It will re-

pair damage and, more important, prevent it.

LOTION

Lotion should be stocked all through the house. Keep one bottle in the bathroom, one in the kitchen. Use them every time you've had your hands in water. Place a third bottle on your night table. Dip into it the last thing before going to bed, first thing on getting up in the morning. Such lotions will pay off in smooth, pretty skin.

Hand care should also include a weekly manicure. At least every seven days, these nails must be stripped clean of polish and given a new coating of same.

For a job that will last an entire week without chipping, give nails a base coat, two coats of polish and a sealer coat. Bring the polish down and under the tip of the nail. It's a trick that works well.

JEANNE D'ARCY

Why Girls Like Men To Boss Them

ASK a woman whether to have a man in charge of them, and a high proportion will answer "Yes." So says Miss Elizabeth Pepperell, assistant director of the Industrial Welfare Society.

The women's response, as noted by Miss Pepperell, was:

1. It seems right for a man to be the boss.
2. Men are easier to work for—they are not sticklers for rules.
3. It's easier to get concessions from men.
4. It's more interesting to have a man around—especially if he is a bachelor.
5. Women are harder to please. Comments: Miss Pepperell: "A woman supervisor has to be tough because of the prejudice of those above her."

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Picki's Mysterious Hunt

—Knarf And Teddy Get A Surprise—

By MAX TRELL

TEDDY, the Stuffed Bear, came bumbling up to Hiawatha, the Small-Sized Wooden Indian. "Let's go hunting, Hi," said Teddy.

"Boh!" said Hiawatha, giving his fat friend a gloomy look. "You couldn't hunt for the end of your nose in bright sunshine."

He waved Teddy away. Teddy walked off very sorrowfully.

With A Searchlight

A moment or two later, he spied Knarf, the Shadow Boy who was looking under the table with a searchlight.

"What are you looking for?" Teddy asked.

"I think my red ball rolled under here. Ah, there it is!" Knarf exclaimed.

"You're a good hunter," Teddy said.

"Am I?" asked Knarf.

"Yes," said Teddy. "I couldn't find the end of my nose on a sunny day. But I'm sure you could. Let's go hunting!"

"Well," said Knarf, "I don't know what we can go hunting."

Sniffing The Floor

So Knarf and Teddy walked out into the hallway and there they saw Picki Poo, the Poodle, moving past them with his nose to the floor, sniffing and sniffing.

"Picki Poo!" Teddy shouted after the Poodle. "What are you hunting for?"

But Picki Poo went right on sniffing and sniffing and didn't bother to answer.

"Let's follow him and find out," said Knarf to Teddy.

"Whatever he was looking for," said Knarf, "he didn't find it in the dining room."

Then Picki ran up the stairs. The door to the bedroom was partly open. Picki Poo pushed in. He looked under the bed. He sniffed behind the radiator. He sniffed behind the lamp. Then he ran out again.

"Not there, either," said Teddy to Knarf.

"He's going up into the attic," Knarf said. "Follow Picki Poo up the wooden attic stairs into the warm, dark attic. And now Picki Poo sniffed and sniffed at all the old things stored up there, at the rolls of carpet, the old trunk, the shoes and boots that no one wore any more."

"I wish I had something to hunt for," said Teddy.

"You'd better try hunting for the end of your nose out in the sun," said Knarf.

And suddenly Knarf and Teddy saw Picki leap joyfully gloomy voice.

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On Christmas morning Rupert gazed at the parcels at the foot of his bed. Taking one of a special shape he unpacks it. "That's it, that's it!" he whispers. "That's the very thing I told Santa Claus's secretary I wanted."

Quickly opening the others he "happens to you!" he says.

"What wonderful things happen to you!" he says.

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The Dining Room

Instead of going down into the cellar, Picki Poo turned and went into the dining room. He sniffed at the chair. He sniffed at the table. He crept around the walls. Then he ran out again.

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THEY WILL PLAY AT WEMBLEY

Manchester United Qualify To Meet Bolton Wanderers In FA Cup Final

London, Mar. 26.

Manchester United's magnificent recovery after last month's Munich air disaster reached near completion today when they battled their way gloriously into the final of the English Football Association Cup competition. They gained a deserved 5-3 win over Second Division Fulham in the semi-final replay at Highbury here after leading 3-2 at half time.

Only seven weeks after the Munich crash had claimed the lives of eight star United players, the rebuilt team have now qualified to meet Bolton Wanderers in a second round replay at Wembley on May 3.

It will be an All-Lancashire final. It is the second successive year United have reached the last stage of the Cup—they lost to Aston Villa last season. If Cup tradition means anything, then United will crown their great comeback with a Cup victory as every team which has reached the Wembley final in successive years has won at the second attempt.

Bill Foulkes, a Munich survivor and now United's captain, said: "I am the proudest man in the world today. I am sure this must be the greatest thing which has happened in English football. The boys played their hearts out for the club."

Blackpool after Munich. He inspired most of the red-shirted attacks.

Outclassed

Fulham, who did so well on Saturday to force the replay, were outclassed for long spells by a faster centre side. They twice pulled United back after being in arrears, but the Manchester team always had that little extra in hand. Inside left Bobby Charlton, another survivor of the crash, set the real on a thrilling game with a well taken goal in the dying minutes.

United's other goal scorer was Irishman Seamus Brennan, late inclusion on the left wing. Even the fastest prompting of England inside forward Johnny Haynes failed to weld leg-weary Fulham into anything like a Cup-winning side. Errors by young Gibraltar-born Tony Maceo, who had been helping goal magnificently in previous games, led to two of United's goals.

Poor Attendance

Scorers for the Southwest Londoners were Arthur Stevens, Trevor Chamberlain and Roy Dwight. Disappointing was the poor attendance—only 38,258 watched in the mist and gloom. Television of the game obviously kept the crowds away from the terraces. Taylor has achieved a unique record in getting to three Cup finals each with a different club. On his other Cup appearances at Wembley he was on the winning side, helping Newcastle beat Blackpool in 1951 and Blackpool defeat Bolton in 1953.

Thailand Takes 4-0 Lead In Thomas Cup Asian Zone Final

Bangkok, Mar. 26.

Thailand virtually clinched victory in the Asian Zone Final of the Thomas Cup Badminton Tournament when they inflicted crushing defeats on Pakistan's Number One and Two players tonight.

In the opening singles game Chatoen Wattanasin of Thailand beat Nazir Rajput of Pakistan 15-11, 15-5. Thai Champion Tanoo Khadabhye, who had been trailing late, came back to top form with a defeat of the Pakistan Champion, Shamshad Ali, 15-3, 15-3.

Pakistan player took the Thai to 10-5 but lost his edge badly and went under in the second set. Shamshad Ali had the Thai crowd cheering with some brilliant return shots at the opening of the match but the energetic Tanoo soon had a complete mastery of the game. Thailand won the first two doubles to make 4-0 score for the first day four-nil. Five more games will be played tomorrow night.

West Indies 234 For Seven At The Close

Port of Spain, Mar. 26. West Indies, after losing their first two wickets for two runs, were 234 for seven at the close of play on the opening day of the fifth and final Test against Pakistan here.

Five batting by Everton Weekes and Clyde Walcott, who are both playing in their final Test before retiring, and a bright 86 by their happy-go-lucky batsman, Colin Smith, helped the West Indies recovery after their bad start.

Weekes hit 57, including nine fours, and Walcott 47.

The Scoreboard

WEST INDIES	
1st Innings	
E. Weekes, c. Imtiaz b. Khan	51
C. L. Walcott, st. Imtiaz b. Nasirul Ghan	47
O. C. Smith, lbw b. Fazal	86
Mahmood	0
F. Alexander, not out	28
E. Atkinson, c. Hanif	0
Mohammad b. Fazal	0
L. Gibbs, not out	4
G. Sobers, c. Imtiaz b. Ahmad	14
b. Fazal Mahmood	4
Extras	4
Total (for seven)	234

Full of wickets: 4-78, 5-151, 6-219, 7-219.

Bowling				
	O	M	R	W
Fazal	25	8	66	
Khan	21	6	70	
Nasrullah	19	5	40	
Haseeb	14	2	40	

—Reuter.

The Results

SINGLES
Chatoen Wattanasin beat Nazir Rajput 15-11, 15-5.
Tanoo Khadabhye beat Shamshad Ali 15-3, 15-3.

DOUBLES
Sunthorn Subhan and Kamal Stuvant beat Vajubud Ali and Menad Khan 15-8, 15-9.
Wattanasin and Prida Wongkarakat beat Shamshad Ali and Imtiaz Ahmed 15-3, 15-9.

Tonight was the first of the two days play in this Asian Zone Final. Pakistan reached the Zone finals by beating Hongkong 7-2 and Burma 8-1 in September, last year. Thailand reached the final by beating India 8-1, and getting a walkover from Japan. The winner of this Asian Zone Final will meet the United States, which recently won the American Zone final by defeating Canada. —France-Press and Reuter.

HKCC TEAMS

The following will represent The "Scorpions" against CCC at Happy Valley on Saturday, 29th March, (1.30 p.m. start):
H. Owen-Hughes, D. W. Leach, I. L. Stanton, T. A. Pearce, F. A. Weller, J. T. Baugh, J. B. D. Leckie, F. Howarth, C. Ship, R. H. Campton, L. White. Umpire: J. Hart.

The following will represent The "Scorpions" against KCC on Sunday, 30th March, at Craigmower Cricket ground (2.15 p.m. start):
H. Owen-Hughes, D. W. Leach, I. L. Stanton, T. A. Pearce, F. A. Weller, J. T. Baugh, F. D. Bottomley, C. Ship, R. H. Campton, L. White, F. Howarth.

A Disappointing Full Course Trial By Oxford

London, Mar. 26. Oxford University rowed a disappointing full course trial over the 4½ miles from Putney to Mortlake today in preparation for the Annual Boat Race against Cambridge on April 5. They finished in 19 minutes 20 seconds, which was 22 seconds down on their time for last week's first trial. Cambridge University, who lead by 57 wins to 46 in the historic series, will row their second trial tomorrow. But they will be without their Number Six, P. Rickett, a keyman in the boat, who has influenza and is unlikely to be fit for next week's race. —Reuter.

Aussie Accepts Offer To Fight In Bangkok

Sydney, Mar. 26. Trainer Ernie McQuillan announced today that the Australian middleweight boxer, Clive Stewart, had accepted an offer to fight Dowling Singtan Lok in Bangkok. No date has been fixed yet, he said. Stewart has been given a guarantee of £A40 for the fight, he said. He had the option of remaining in Bangkok after the bout to meet West Indies fighter, Hector Constance, McQuillan added. —China Mail Special.

CHOONG DEFEATED



Malaya's Eddie Choong, rated the world's greatest badminton player, was defeated at Wembley recently in the All-England Men's Singles Championship by Denmark's 21-year-old Erlend Kops. —London Express Photo.

FAVOURER GREEN HOWARDS 'A' TEAM BEATEN IN SEVENS TOURNAMENT

By "PAK LO"

In last night's Sevens there were two walkovers. Four teams shone during the evening, with pride of place going to the unknown HQ Ammn. Depot who beat the favoured Green Howards "A" team by 11 points to 5 in the most thrilling struggle of the night. The Green Howards "B" had an easy win over Club "C" but did not greatly impress, while Police "A" made it look all too easy and though in the end they did not bother with conversions there was a long break in the game due to an injury to one of the Cardigan Bay payers.

He had to be carried off with a broken ankle, and the game itself was shortened. The Police won by the largest score of the evening, 22-3.

The next most dangerous team on display was without doubt the Tamar "A" Sevens which, making full use of its three forwards, hammered Wayfoong by 18 points to nil. The most surprising walkover was that given by 24 Field Regt to the Medics for the former were reckoned one of the strong Sevens of the Tournament.

Green Howards v Club "C"
Green converted a penalty before half time, and in the second half Robertson kicked ahead, gathered, and scored under the posts. Green converted, 8-0.

Honoringway settled the question when he dribbled up field and scored. No conversion, 11-0.

Club "D" v HMS Modeste "A"
The Club side opened the scoring with a penalty conversion, and a few minutes later the Modeste winger broke through and scored well out under the posts. The second half was all Modeste, and they missed a penalty and an attempted drop at goal before they finally touched down a loose ball as it went over the line to win by 6-3.

Police "A" v HMS Cardigan Bay
The Police attacked immediately and kicked ahead and the ball rebounded into Scott's hands and he scored under the posts. Johnston converted, 5-0.

The Naval side attacked in their turn and caught Slewin in possession and scored well out. No conversion, 5-3. Police scored again when the ball went out to Scott, was passed in for the latter to score in the corner. Johnston hit the upright with his kick, 8-3. The kick off sent play to within five yards of the Police line, but Scott dribbled the ball

from the loose maul and then gathered and ran 50 yards to score under the posts. Johnston converted, 13-3.

In the second half Woodhouse went away from a line-out and sent Scott the remaining 23 yards to score. It was in the scoring of this try that one of the Cardigan Bay's players was injured. The Police elected not to take the kick, 10-3. Slewin scored under the posts next with a good run from half way and again the Police did not attempt to convert, 10-3. Finally Scott went away, passed out to Cunningham who sent Woodhouse over under the posts. No attempt at conversion, 22-3.

RAF Kai Tak v 49 Field
In the first half Coombes went away, though to touch covering of it's forwards and converted his own try, 5-0. In the second half with Haines looking very good, Martin gathered an Army kick and scored. Coombes hit the crossbar with his kick and the ball bounced in, 10-0.

HQ Ammn. Depot v Green Howards "A"
Although this is not the stronger of the two Green Howards Sevens they are a good side, but the Ordinance boys were much better, especially their full back. The Ordinance Sevens were always attacking and ways trying to get going whether their moves were orthodox or not, while the Green Howards waited on their three to do the damage, but against the very strong defence of the Ordinance they only once broke through.

A long dribble upfield which was gathered saw the Ordinance open the scoring with 3 points. The Green Howards replied with a converted try when they intercepted a lobbed pass and scored under the posts, 5-3.

But before the Howards could settle the Ordinance were away again to score under the post and convert, 8-5. The Ordinance dominated play from then on and with a

lovely combined move scored in the corner before full time, 11-5.

HMS Modeste "B" v Club "B"

Neither side was impressive here with the Club "B" putting in some horrible passing, but a try in each half, the second a very nice "down the line" try by Inglis, saw the Club "B" into the second round.

Tamar "A" v Wayfoong
A perfectly moving Navy side was too much for the gallant Bank boys who were not fit enough to last the killing pace. The Navy three moved very well and Watson had a field day. He scored twice, converted three times and the remaining six points came from two tries. This seven rolls on the good covering of it's forwards and the speed of Watson on the wing and they should go through to the semi-finals when their opponents should be Club "A". The other semi-finalists, I think, should be Green Howards "B" and Police "A".

Tonight's Games

6.20 p.m. Green Howards "B" v Police "B"
6.40 p.m. Modeste "A" v Medics
6 p.m. Police "A" v RAF Kai Tak
6.20 p.m. HQ Ammn. Depot v Club "B"
6.40 p.m. Tamar "A" v RAF Little Sal Wan
7 p.m. Tamar "A" v Club "A"
7.20 p.m. RAMC v East Lancs
7.40 p.m. Barleycorns v 49 Field "A"

Pat MacAteer Favoured To Retain Title

Liverpool, Mar. 27. Pat MacAteer, of Birkbeigh, is a slight favourite to retain his Empire middleweight boxing title when he meets Dick Tiger, of Nigeria, over 15 rounds here tonight.

The champion was held to a draw by the two-fisted slugger from Nigeria in a non-title bout at Cardiff last November. Aspects pointing to a victory for the champion are that MacAteer, a better boxer than Tiger, will undoubtedly make full use of his Liverpool Stadium ring to nullify the Nigerian's swarming close tactics which have carried him some spectacular wins in more confined rings.

In addition the champion is a brawny enough boxer to keep Tiger, soundering in the open spaces and is also likely to be better suited to 15 rounds, a distance which Tiger has never travelled. —China Mail Special.

THE QUEEN PUTS ALMERIA BACK IN TRAINING

By JAMES PARK

The Queen starts the 1958 season with bright hopes. It may be too much to expect her to top the list of winning owners as she did last year, but her horses will be prominent in many of the more valuable races.

Almeria has been put back into training with the £25,000 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot as the main objective. Douteille will be trained for the long-distance races, including the Ascot Gold Cup.

Pall Mall will be the Royal hope in the 2,000 Guineas. And, let me whisper it ever so softly, there is a colt called Miner's Lamp in the Derby. Agreement could be a force in the big handicaps.

They are all trained by Captain C. Boyd-Rochford. After her victory in the Park Hill Stakes at Doncaster, Almeria was retired to stud. When the Queen saw the filly in the paddocks she looked well, that she asked Boyd-Rochford what he thought of the idea of giving Almeria another season's racing.

Happy Colt

Douteille is a charming colt with a summer polish on his coat. He looks a picture and is a happy colt who loves racing. Pall Mall has grown a little and is altogether stronger and more robust.

It is solely on looks that I suggest Miner's Lamp might develop into a Derby candidate. He is an unknown quantity with a lot of leeway to make up.

No horse in the stable has wintered better than Miner's Lamp. A beautifully coloured chestnut, Miner's Lamp has developed out of all recognition, and my main doubt is whether the colt will have gained his full strength in time for the Derby.

Wintered Well

Agreement is still in the rough, but in a physical sense has wintered well with a gold in his opportunities will be limited, but he is just the type to make a name in the more valuable handicaps. Hypericum's son, Restoration, was still to run but is a good looking colt of just the right size. Peironella is still rather small and light of frame. So is Stroma, but she is a nippy little thing sure to make a clever sprinter.

There are only two home-bred colts among the two-year-olds. Outstanding is Above Surpisen, a half-brother by Court Martial, to Douteille. Richard and Snow Cat, who look like High Veldt, wants to grow a bit, but is a strong and racing-like colt. The four fillies are mostly lacking in scope and all look like coming to hand fairly early. I doubt whether any of them will hit the high spots.

With Murless

Noel Murless trains the 11 horses leased to the Queen by the National Stud. Persian Whisker and Snow Cat, who look like the pick of the three-year-olds, had one race each last season. Tulyar and Sun Charlot won five classics between them and their daughter, Persian Wheel, is a modestly bred but of outstanding quality. She could be in the Oaks field.

Murless won that classic for the Queen with Carrozza last June and Carrozza's half-brother Snow Cat, successful over seven furlongs, is a promising stayer. He will be tried out this spring—probably at Sandown Park in late April—before any ambitious

plans are made. Murless describes the Queen's seven two-year-olds as "about the most promising bunch the National Stud has ever seen me."

(—London Express Service.)

ROBINSON'S VICTORY

New York's Leading Papers Back Up Judges' Decision

New York, Mar. 26. Three of New York's leading newspapers today backed up the judges' decision which last night took the World Middleweight crown from Carmen Basilio and placed it on the head of Harlem hero 'Sugar Ray' Robinson.

Only the New York Herald Tribune sports writer, Jess Abramson, disagreed with the verdict.

Gene Ward of the New York Daily News said Robinson won his fifth World Middleweight Championship without the shadow of a doubt. Joseph C. Nichols, of the New York Times gave Robinson as the winner. He said that it was true that certain of the rounds were close but the margin, if there was any, was in 'Sugar Ray's' favour.

The New York Daily Mirror's Leonard Lewin said Basilio gave a magnificent demonstration of courage, which probably influenced the referee's decision. Basilio made an admirable effort, said Lewin, but 'Sugar Ray's' work was even more destructive. Abramson, the odd man out, said the incredible 'Sugar Ray' Robinson won because of incredible luck—when he closed Basilio's eye. He said the judge's decision must have surprised Robinson himself, as with both eyes open the judges saw less than Basilio with only one eye.

No Serious Damage

Carmen Basilio, whose left eye was closed last night, will enter Wesley Memorial Hospital for observation of the injury.

The decision for him to enter the Hospital was made after an examination of the eye at his hotel suite by a specialist, Dr. Richard Perrot. His wife Kay insisted upon the examination. Dr. Perrot said although the eye was still closed the swelling had gone down and there was no injury to the eyeball. He said there was no serious damage or reason for concern, but he would be able to watch the injury better in the hospital. It was expected that Basilio would be in hospital for two or three days.—All Agencies.

British Open Squash Tourney Results

London, Mar. 26.

Results in the Open Squash Racquets Championship at the Lansdowne Club, London, today were:

First Round

Hashim Khan (Pakistan) beat Jamal Didi (Edinburgh Club and Pakistan) 9-3, 9-4, 9-2.
Nazrullah Khan (Junior Carlton Club and Pakistan) beat Ali Akbar Khan (United Services Club and Pakistan) 9-8, 10-8, 8-10, 7-9, 10-8.
Mohibullah Khan (Pakistan) beat R. Lees (GB) 9-4, 8-0, 9-2.
J. H. Gilles (Britain) beat T. Pickering (Britain) 9-5, 9-3, 9-4.

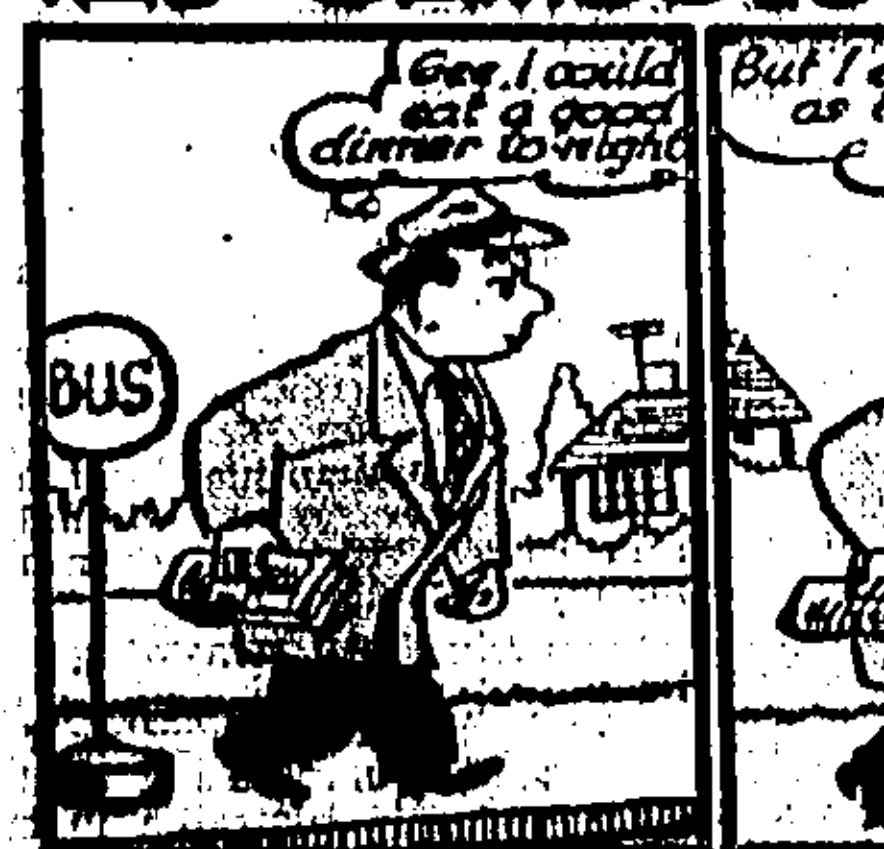
Hashim Khan, the little Pakistan squash racket player, may be 43 years of age, but his game is as forceful as ever.

Today he began his bid to gain his seventh British Open Championship title at the Lansdowne Club, with a victory in less than half an hour over his fellow countryman, Jamal Didi 9-3, 9-4, 9-2.

Moving about the court at a great speed, Hashim had the masonry over Din from the moment he struck the first ball. The best match of the first half of the opening round—the remaining four matches are being played tomorrow—was a 70 minutes battle between two other Khans, Nazrullah and Ali Akbar, which ended in victory for the former 9-8, 10-8, 9-10, 7-9, 10-8.

Ali Akbar, a left-hander, missed three match points in the last game.—France-Press.

THE GAMBOLS



By Barry Appleby



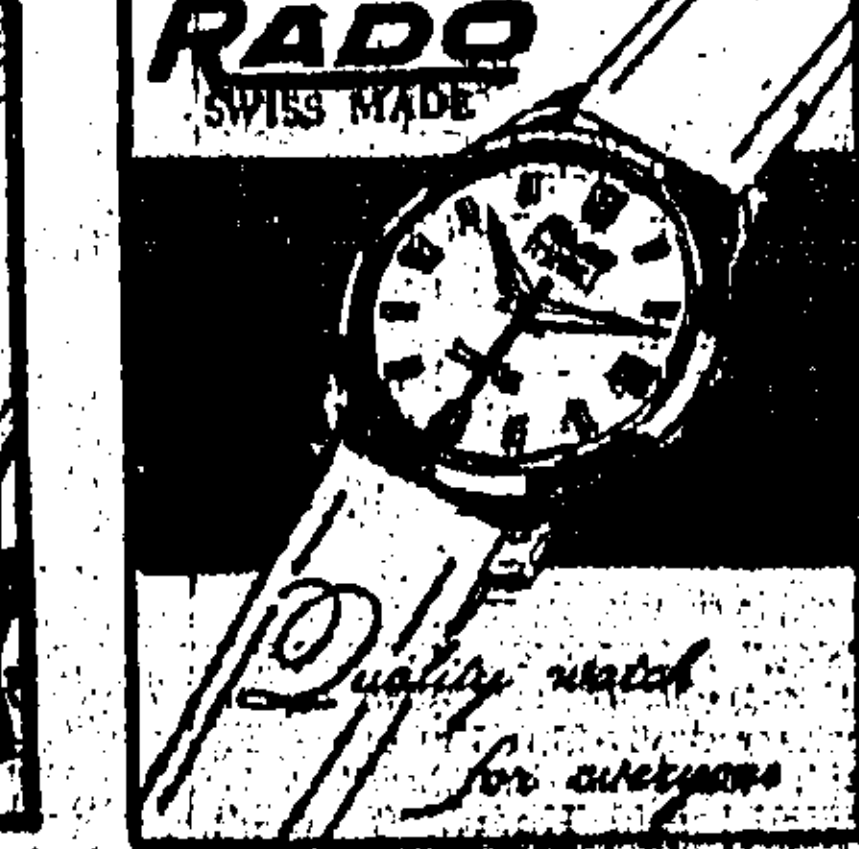
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Two Major Upsets In English Open Table Tennis Championships

London, Mar. 26. Half of the eight seeded players in the Men's Singles event had been eliminated by the end of the second round when the English Open Table Tennis Championships were continued here today.

Former holder of the title, Guy Amouretti, of France, was decisively beaten by Eddie Hudson, 18-year-old Englishman 21-18, 21-18, and another seeded Frenchman, Alex Ehrlich, was eliminated by Brian Merrett, England's Number two, 13-12, 10-9, 16-13, all three games being decided on time limit.

The other "seed" beaten in the second round was England's International Brian Kennedy, who went out to Gordon Taylor, an "unknown" English player, 21-18, 21-10, 17-21, 9-21, 21-14. Seeded Bjorne Melstrem, of Sweden, went out on Tuesday.

The four remaining seeded players successfully won their way through the third and fourth rounds later this evening. They are Bertzik, Ferenc Sido (Hungary), J. Vogring (Yugoslavia) and Johnny Leach (England).

Taylor was beaten in the fourth round by another little-known player, M. G. MacLaren, of Surrey, who won a tough battle 14-21, 10-21, 21-14, 21-10, 21-12.

Major Upsets

There were two major upsets, both in the Women's Singles event.

The first surprise was the elimination of top-seeded Ann Haydon of England in the fourth round by her compatriot, Kathleen Best, Miss Best won 21-17, 14-21, 21-9, 21-17.

Miss Haydon had a good excuse. She has been ill and was unable to take part in an England-Hungary match. Yesterday, she stayed in bed and today she was well out of her best form.

In the previous round, Miss Best had caused a first surprise by defeating another seeded player, Mrs. Livia Moscoso of Hungary by 21-14, 14-21, 21-19, 21-10.

The second major surprise came also in the fourth round of the Women's Singles, when Madame Andre Simon, a former Hungarian player, who has taken refuge in the Netherlands, beat Mrs. Diane Rowe-Collins of Britain in easy straight sets, 21-7, 21-11, 21-16. —France-Press and Reuter.

HOME SOCCER

London, Mar. 26. Bristol Rovers beat Cardiff City by two goals to nil in an English League First Division match played at Cardiff today. —Reuter.

HE WILL ALSO FIGHT A BOGY

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess.
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail, My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is:

of the Club.

(Signed)

Sports Diary

TODAY
Tennis Championships: Souths Masters at HKCC, 5.30 p.m. Athletics: Inter-College (Northcote-Grotham) annual sports meeting, Caroline Hill, 1.45 p.m.

TOMORROW
Hockey: First Division: Revere 'A' vs IRC (Revere), 5.30 p.m. Tennis: Annual meeting of the HK Lawn Tennis Association HKCC, 5.30 p.m. Colony Grasscourt Championships at HKCC, 5.30 p.m.

JOCKEY DIES FROM INJURIES

Worcester, Mar. 26. James Tierman, 26-year-old Dublin jockey, died last night in hospital here from injuries received in a fall on Monday on the Worcester track.

Tierman was kicked on the head by another horse after falling from his mount, Rectitude, in a hurdle race. —China Mail Special.

Bobby Neill One Of The Most Determined Men In The World Of Sport

By DEREK JOHN

London.

Some time in May a dark-haired featherweight will step into a British boxing ring to fight two opponents—the man in the opposite corner and a bogy. And when you consider that the bogy has knocked out more boxers than any living man, you will understand what a tough assignment he has taken on.

The boxer is Scotland's Bobby Neill, one of the most determined young men in the world of sport or, for that matter, anywhere else. And he will need all his determination, for his unofficial "opponent" is the old belief that "they never come back."

A car crash last August put the former Scottish Featherweight Champion out of boxing. The doctors said he would never fight again. Bobby's brain accepted the fact, but his heart wouldn't.

For Bobby had heard those words before. This most feared man in boxing, who broke his leg at 14 and his wrist at 15, got involved in a motorcycle smash at 17 and just about escaped with his life. For months he lay on his back in a plaster cast. He said he would box again. The doctors politely disagreed.

But Bobby did fight again. Despite the scars, despite the limp caused through one leg being shorter than the other, he ran up a string of sensational victories.

His Own Way

He fought his own way, always keeping as close as he could to his opponent, boring in with powerful hooks in the American style.

Getting on as a boxer was not enough for the ambitious Neill. He studied accountancy and got a good position with a large chain of London garages. He worked smartly. With his well-cut suit, powder hat and neatly furled umbrella, he looked the part of a young man who was going places.

Then the bright hope who was hailed as a world title prospect, lost a fight and another... and another. He trained harder still. He was determined to carry on to that world title goal.

But a few months ago he threw away the stick he had hobbled around on and began training secretly, devising his own exercises.

Then he began boxing again. He was hesitant. He was worried. He lacked confidence. But he says, "It all began to come back. Now the sky is the limit."

That is the Bobby Neill creed. He is the fighter who said that he fought, not for glory, but to prove himself to himself.

He now plans to have five fights "to see if I can realise all my dreams and ambitions. It isn't the money I have security. But I will never have peace of mind until I try again."

Golden Girl

Meet the new golden girl of lawn tennis—24-year-old Karol Fageros of Miami. Her hair is golden-blond. She has a soft golden sun-tan. And 24-carat gold lace panties.

Miss Fageros hopes to wear the panties on her European tour this summer. Last year her fashion, both on and off the court, won the admiration of the Wimbledon crowds and leading men players voted her the prettiest girl in lawn tennis.

And Miss Fageros is a pretty good player. After failing to find her form at Wimbledon last year she has since risen to fifth place in the American rankings.

But whether the panties will glisten at Wimbledon depends on how strictly the rules are interpreted. These say that only white should be worn—on things that show. Seems it may depend on what is meant by "show."

But if Wimbledon crowds are denied a glimpse of the golden panties they may see a revival of a golden partnership—Louise Brough and Margaret Du Pont. Having missed a season, Mrs. Du Pont will return this year "to play doubles only; it's no

good trying to play competitive singles at 40. "I shall play with 'Brough' if she can make it," says Mrs. Du Pont. "I have never played at Wimbledon with anyone else. But she is now engaged to be married and her plans are vague."

The Brough-Du Pont partnership is perhaps the most famous in Wimbledon history. It won the women's doubles title five times.

The Unusual

From the usual at Wimbledon we switch to the unusual, in fact to the non-existent—a British challenge in the Men's Singles event.

British fans have long since become resigned to the fact that the home country's interest in this, the No. 1 world lawn tennis event, has begun and ended with the staging of it. The unpredictable Tony Mottram caused much excitement when he beat Jaroslav Drobny in 1948. But he seldom raised much serious hope of winning the title.

The younger brigade which followed the Mottram era have recorded some notable successes and some gallant failures. But the sustained power that is needed for Wimbledon victory has been lacking.

This year, however, Britain will have a serious contender for the title in a fiery Welshman, Michael Davies.

His victory over world No. 3 player, Sven Davidson of Sweden, in the British Covered Courts Championship the other week, has proved that he will be in with a good chance as most players at Wimbledon.

Davies has had a dual fight on his hands to get to the top. In his early days he had to make his own way in the tennis world, which he did by hitchhiking to tournaments because cash was scarce and the authorities did not see fit to pay his expenses.

He has also had to battle on court against his touchy temperament. This he did to devastating effect against Davidson, and he produced the "killer" touch so sadly lacking in British tennis recently.

Sad News

Ted Dexter will train his sights mainly on a cricket rather than a golf ball this summer. And that is sad news for Australia's bowlers who may be getting a victim's eye view of Dexter's hitting powers when the MCC start their tour later this year.

Dexter, sportsman extraordinary, would have been a probable England's Walker Cup golf side. But he has decided to concentrate on cricket this summer and he aims to win an England place.

It has not been an easy choice to make for this man of many talents, captain of both cricket and golf at Cambridge University. One can sense the struggle that went on in his mind when he says that this summer he is afraid he will be playing only friendly golf.

Cricket's Gain

But golf's loss is cricket's gain. Dexter is a fine stroke player who gives full rein to his shots. He has also decided to open the innings for Cambridge. And England's primary need at the moment is for a partner for Peter Richardson to open the batting.

If he settles down as an opener, Dexter the dasher and Richardson the reliable should make a formidable opening pair.

Dexter is also a more than useful bowler with hostile fast-medium deliveries. Last season he burst into the headlines as a swifter with an amazing five-for-one spell for the Gentlemen against the Players.

Dexter was invited to play for England last year, but was prevented by injury from playing. —(London Express Service). (COPYRIGHT)

REMARKABLE FEAT BY BABUR

Lincoln, Mar. 26.

Captain Riley Lord's Babur accomplished a remarkable feat today in winning the Lincolnshire Handicap, the first big race of the 1958 season, for the second successive year.

Only one horse, Babur, carrying top weight and ridden by the Australian jockey Edgar Britt, started at 25-1 and won the one mile race comfortably by a length and a half from Who You who started at 28-1.

Stuffed, another 28-1 chance, was three lengths away, third of the 37 starters.

The race was worth more than £3,500 to the winning owner.

Babur, a five-year-old son of My Babu out of Reseda, is trained by Captain Charles Elsey in Yorkshire. Who You and Stuffed are also five-year-olds trained in the same county.

Heavy overnight and morning rain made the going soft. Babur overcame a poor draw to win. The Irish went for a big win.

with Venus Slipper after seeing him well drawn in 30th place and he started favourite at 10-1. He was never seen with a chance.

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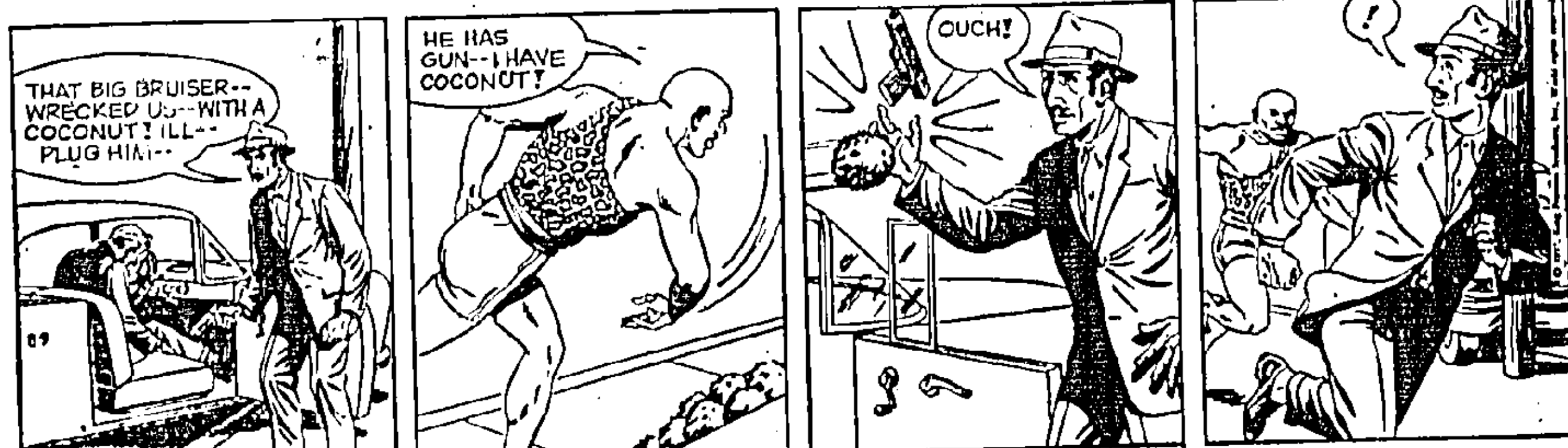
Fourth to finish was Chief Barker, winner of last year's Manchester November Handicap. He ran splendidly considering he was drawn number two, no horse ever having won from a lower number than seven.

Who You was always among the leaders on the far side, and it was not until a furlong from the finish that Babur, who had been in the first half dozen at the half-way stage, caught him.

Stuffed came from nowhere to snatch third place, place from Chief Barker. —Reuter.

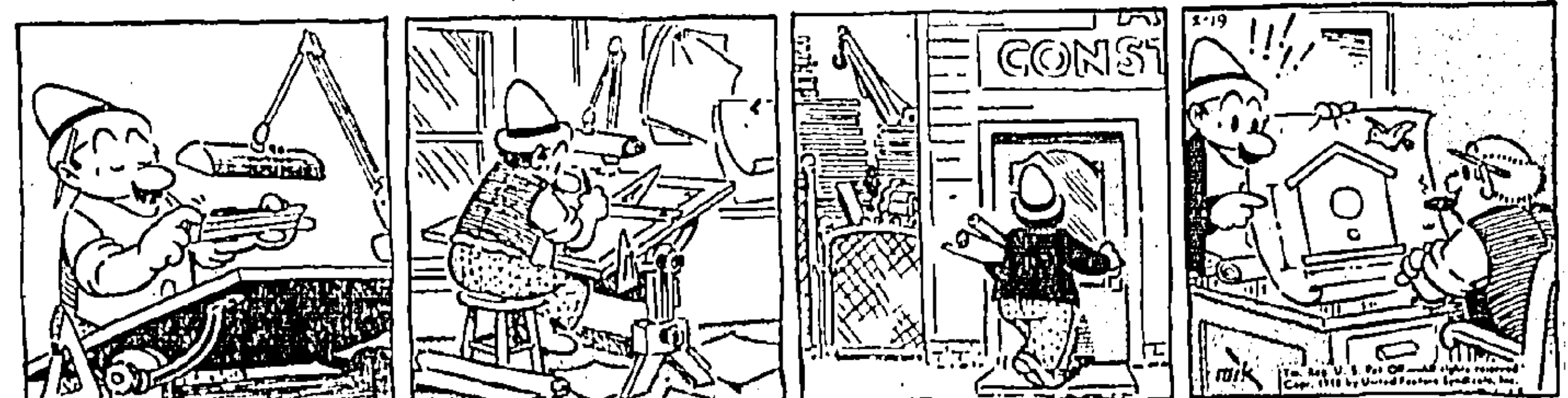
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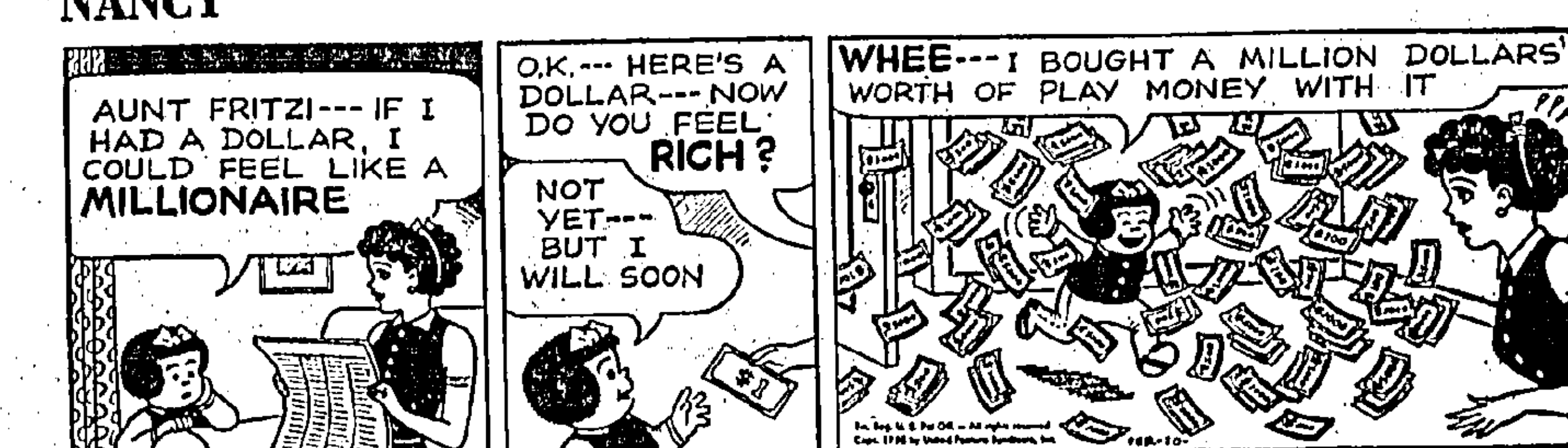
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1958.

- (i) Gascoigne Road between
Nathan Road and
Chatham Road.
- (ii) Jordan Road between
Nathan Road and Gas-
coigne Road.
- (iii) Wylie Road between
Gascoigne Road and
Waterloo Road.

Appropriate signs will be
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Branch Personnel will be on
duty to regulate traffic flow as
required.

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in the godown for examination by
consignee and the company's sur-
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at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 27th March,
1958.

No claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the godown and
all goods remaining undamaged after
the 21st March, 1958, will be subject
to rent.

All claims against the vessel must
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or before the 21st April, 1958, or
they may not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 27th March, 1958.

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Damaged cargo ex this vessel will
be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 27th
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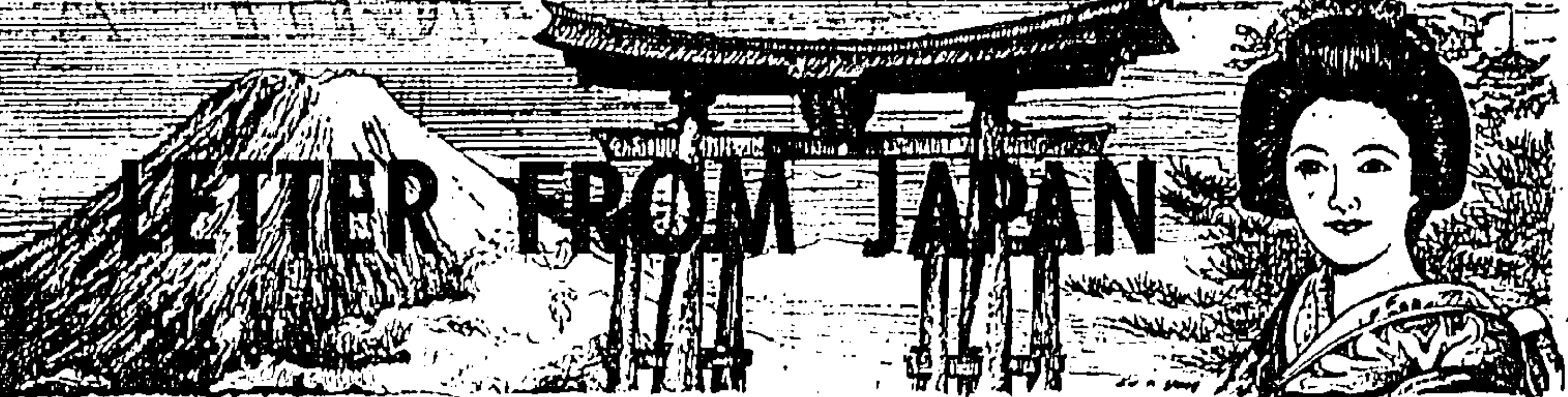
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From DAVID GORDON



Tokyo (By Airmail)

ONE of the questions
most frequently
asked about Japan is:
"Will she put the clock
back?" That is, will there
be a return to the police
state, regimented
thought and labour, and
arrogance in interna-
tional affairs that
characterised Japan be-
fore her defeat in World
War II?

The final answer to that lies
in the future. Meanwhile, there
is no denying that, ever since
the surrender, strong influences,
battering after a return to the
"old order", have been at work
trying to lay the foundation for
curbing some of the freedoms
guaranteed the people under the
new constitution. Directed at
tightening control of key
organisations, such as the police,
defence forces, education,
broadcasting and labour unions,
their activities have been
advanced through political
pressure.

Their goal of full revision of
the constitution so far has been
unattainable because the con-
servatives lack the two-thirds
majority in each house necessary
for such revision. However,
they have had some success
since Japan regained her in-
dependence, despite strong
opposition from the mass of the
people.

Diet Battles

After bitter Diet battles,
centralised control of prefectural
police was restored by abolish-
ing their local autonomy, and
school-teachers and other
government workers and em-
ployees of public utilities com-
panies, such as power companies,
railways and coal mines, were
forbidden to strike.

The pressure seems to have
increased during the Kishi
Government's year of office. The
law banning strikes by Govern-
ment and public utilities
workers has been stretched to
cover other forms of protest
action, such as workshop rallies
and slowdowns and steps are
proposed to increase penalties
which may include imprison-
ment, for workers who act
"illegally".

It is also planned to introduce
"proficiency tests" for teachers,
which the school-teachers' union
claims are devised to weed out
those whose ideological leanings
the Government disapproves of,
and an "ethics course" for
students, which is also widely
criticised as an attempt to
revive regimentation of thought.
In addition, two bills into the
Diet, aimed at revising the
existing broadcasting law and
setting up a "Japan Labour
Council". The former would
give the Government greater
supervisory powers over the
Japan Broadcasting Corporation,
Japan's equivalent of the BBC,
and of radio and television in
general.

It was stated that the "Japan
Labour Council" would be a

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Offensive

Against this background,
workers in Tokyo and other key
cities clashed with police during
the week, as Labour's spring
offensive for wage raises re-
ached a peak, and the Opposition
Socialists decided to step up
their attacks on the Govern-
ment. The clashes, in which
many were injured, occurred
when police moved to break up
workshop rallies and picket
lines organised by postal em-
ployees. By the weekend, coal
miners and private railway
workers, who are also spear-
heading the spring offensive,
were in the midst of mass walk-
outs. It was expected that the
railway workers' dispute would
be speedily settled, but that
involving the miners would be
protracted due to the strong
stand of management against
pay raises.

Intensifying their onslaught
against the Government as the
possibility of an early dissolu-
tion of the Diet increased, the
Socialists pounced on a Govern-
ment proposal for the "de-
unionising" of principals and
head teachers of primary and
secondary schools. Prime
Minister Kishi, however, still
refused to divulge the date of
the Diet dissolution.

Taking him to task editorially,
one leading newspaper pointed
out that the present Law
House members were elected in
1955, and since then there have
been three changes of Govern-
ment—the third Hatojima
Cabinet, Ishibashi Cabinet and
the Kishi Cabinet—without an
election having been held. The
paper also pointed out that Diet
members are neglecting their
duties and campaigning for the
expected general election.

Enraged

Enraged by the recently con-
cluded "unofficial" trade agree-
ment between Japan and China,
Taiwan served notice that she
was severing commercial rela-
tions with Japan. The Chiang
Kai-shek Government expressed
bitter indignation that Chinese
trade missions to be set up in
Japan under the agreement
would be allowed to fly the
national flag of the People's
Republic. Some industrial con-
cerns, notably those with con-
tracts for supplying Taiwan with
steel and heavy machinery, were
reported gravely concerned over
the break. But the Government
is expected to support the trade
pact with China, while doing its
best to appease Taiwan.

The possibilities for closer
ties with the mainland expected
to result from the trade agree-
ment were further increased
when radio-telephone conver-
sations were opened between Tokyo
and Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin,
Canton and Wuhan, and radio-photo
services between Tokyo and
Peking. The charge for a 3-
minute Tokyo-Peking call was
fixed at ¥2.10.

On the home front, however,
police continued their crack-
down on Communist activities.
In a series of co-ordinated raids
on six places in Tokyo and 31
other places they arrested 10
former seamen, alleging them to
be Communist Party members,
and confiscated a 34-ton fishing
vessel. Police allege that the
vessel, manned by the arrested
seamen and equipped with a
120-h.p. engine and powerful
radio equipment, was used to
smuggle Japan Communist Party
leaders to and from China. It
was said to have been sold by
the Party in 1955 and its crew
dispersed.

Break Off

With Japan-USSR negotiations
for a fisheries agreement bogged
down and the northern fishing
season near, Japan has come
under heavy attack from North
American fishing interests. Re-
ports from the United States
said that indiscriminate fishing
by Japanese vessels, in violation
of the Japan-U.S.-Canada Fishery
Treaty, was blamed for a dra-
matic drop in salmon runs into
East Africa, Great Britain, Europe,
and the West Coast. It was proposed, the
reports said, that talks be started
immediately to rectify the situa-
tion.

Prime Minister Kishi denied
reports that Japan would break
off the negotiations with Russia
unless the Soviet modified its
stand on the Okhotsk Sea-clos-
ing and salmon-catch issues. The
reports had also stated that, if

the talks were broken off, Japan
would fish freely in northern
waters and appeal to the United
Nations and the International
Court at The Hague, should her
fishing vessels be seized by the
Russians. In the meantime, the
clashes entered a crucial phase
with the arrival of Agriculture-
Forestry Minister, Munemori
Akagi, in Moscow.

Mysteries of the week in-
volved the deaths of a Chinese
named Chou Chai-shen and det-
ained as a former resident of
Hongkong and Shanghai, and
US Army Master Sergeant,
Emmet E. Dugan. Chou, who re-
portedly played a leading part in
an allegedly irregular sugar im-
port deal, was found dead in his
Tokyo room in December last
year.

It was assumed he had died of
gas poisoning. But a lawyer as-
sociate of his, Chou Yuan-pai,
told investigators on March 17
that he had noticed a trickle of
blood around the mouth of
Chou's corpse when he visited
the room where he was found
dead, leading him to suspect
murder.

Hiding Place

It was also stated that the
lawyer disclosed that Chou had
a secret hiding place in his room
in which he kept large sums of
money and valuable objects. Other
reports said that when Mrs. Chou
returned to Tokyo from Hongkong,
following her husband's death,
the body already had been
crumpled and she could find no
trace of any "mysterious" money
or deeds at his house.

The mystery of US Army
Master Sergeant Dugan, referred
to in this "letter" last week,
depended as police failed to trace
the movements of the 30-year-old
"intelligence agent" between the
time he disappeared on

February 4 and when his body
was found floating in Tokyo Bay
on March 12. An autopsy, how-
ever, showed that death occurred
from 10 to 14 days before the
body was fished out of the bay.

Mysteries

Murder mysteries, politics and
other unpleasantities were for-
gotten as the country basked in
a perfect spring day on Friday,
a national holiday observed to
mark the spring equinox. Cherry
blossoms are already out in hot-
spring areas south of Tokyo, and
there was a mass exodus from
cities for the long weekend. By
about the end of this month, the
blossoms are expected to be in
full bloom in and around
Tokyo.

It is also customary on the
spring equinox holiday to pay
respects to the dead, and visit
and clean their graves. This
custom had added significance
for relatives of the 400,000
Japanese who died in the Philip-
pines during the war, whose re-
mains were brought back re-
cently by a special search team
from Japan. For the relatives of
the rest of the estimated 400,000
Japanese who died in the Philip-
pines campaign, however, there
was nothing to pay their re-
spects to. The search team was
unable to find any trace of other
remains.

Quoting a Diet member, one
newspaper reported that the war
cost Japan 1,700,000 armed
forces and 168,000 civilian
casualties, 48 per cent of her
territory and 23.3 per cent of
pre-war wealth. It also stated
that 2,730,000 Japanese were
wounded as a result of World
War II and the "China-In-
cidents".

China Mail Entertainment Guide

WHAT'S ON TONIGHT

ROXY & BROADWAY: "Count Five And Die." Jeffrey Hunter and Nigel Patrick in a spy thriller.

HOOPER & LIBERTY: "Until They Sail." Jean Simmons, Joan Fontaine, Paul Newman and Piper Laurie in a drama.

ALHAMBRA: "Scarlet Doll." A Chinese picture.

LEE & ASTOR: Cantonese Operas.

ORIENTAL: "The Deerslayer." An adventure.

MAJESTIC: "Blue Murder At St. Trinian's." The Belles again.

CAPITOL: "Johnny Concho." Frank Sinatra in a Western.

STAR & METROPOLE: "Love Slaves Of The Amazons." An adventure.

RITZ: "Saint John." Richard Widmark.

KING'S: "And God Created Woman." A re-issue.

PRINCESS: "The Tin Star." A re-issue.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 27

By Air

U.S.A. 9 p.m.

By Surface

Malaya, Ceylon, India, Pakistan,
Aden, Egypt, 10 a.m. (Switzerland,
via Genoa) (P. India, via Karachi &
Maha via Bombay), 3 p.m.

Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

By Air

Thailand, Cambodia, Burma, India,
9 a.m.

Indo-China, Laos, France, 10 a.m.

Japan, Okinawa, Korea, 11 a.m.

Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 2 p.m.

Philippines, Australia, New Zea-
land, 3 p.m.

Fernando, 6 p.m.

Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle
East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe,
6 p.m.

Canada, 6 p.m.

Hawaii, 6 p.m.

By Surface

China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.

Cambodia, Noon.

Vietnam, 1 p.m.

Korea, 3 p.m.

Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

By Air

Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Hoi-
chow, Kiating, 8.30 a.m.

Japan, 10 a.m.

Thailand, Malaya, North Borneo,
Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand,
10 a.m.

Philippines, 1 p.m.

Malaya, India, Middle East,
Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.

Indo-China, Cambodia, Laos, Mala-
ya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zea-
land, 6 p.m.

Fernando, Japan, Okinawa, 6 p.m.

By Surface

China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.

Formosa, 9 a.m.

Burma, India, Noon.

Malaya, Aden, Egypt, Great Bri-
tain, Europe, Noon.

Macao, 1 p.m.

India, Pakistan, Nether-
lands & Germany (Switzerland, via
Genoa & Bremen, parcels via Mar-
sailles), 2 p.m.

Philippines, North Borneo, 3 p.m.

West Australia, parcels via Tra-
mar, 3 p.m.

Macao, 6 p.m.

China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.

Formosa, 9 a.m.

Burma, India, Noon.

Malaya, Aden, Egypt, Great Bri-
tain, Europe, Noon.

Macao, 1 p.m.

India, Pakistan, Nether-
lands & Germany (Switzerland, via
Genoa & Bremen, parcels via Mar-
sailles), 2 p.m.

Philippines, North Borneo, 3 p.m.

West Australia, parcels via Tra-
mar, 3 p.m.

Macao, 6 p.m.

China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.

Formosa, 9 a.m.

Burma, India, Noon.

Malaya, Aden, Egypt, Great Bri-
tain, Europe, Noon.

Macao, 1 p.m.

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Formosa, 9 a.m.

Burma, India, Noon.

Malaya, Aden, Egypt, Great Bri-
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THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 1958.

SHEAFFERS
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RUSSIANS CLAIM RECORD ROCKET FLIGHT

Part Of IGY Programme

London, Mar. 27.

The Soviet Union today announced a new record rocket flight of 473 kilometres (293.7 miles), Moscow Radio reported. The announcement of the new rocket height quoted a dispatch from Tass.

POCKET CARTOON
by OSBERT LANCASTER
(America-bound)



"Please forgive me, Mr. Clambacker—I'd honestly completely forgotten that S-L-U-M-P was a dirty word."

Zeta Facts To Be Shared

New York, Mar. 26. British scientists will share with their colleagues from all over the world facts about the design and performance of Zeta when the second international conference on the peaceful uses of atomic energy meets at Geneva in September.

A list of 1,550 titles of scientific papers to be submitted to the conference, which was published here today, included one on Zeta among some 100 documents Britain will present—second only in number to the United States (639).

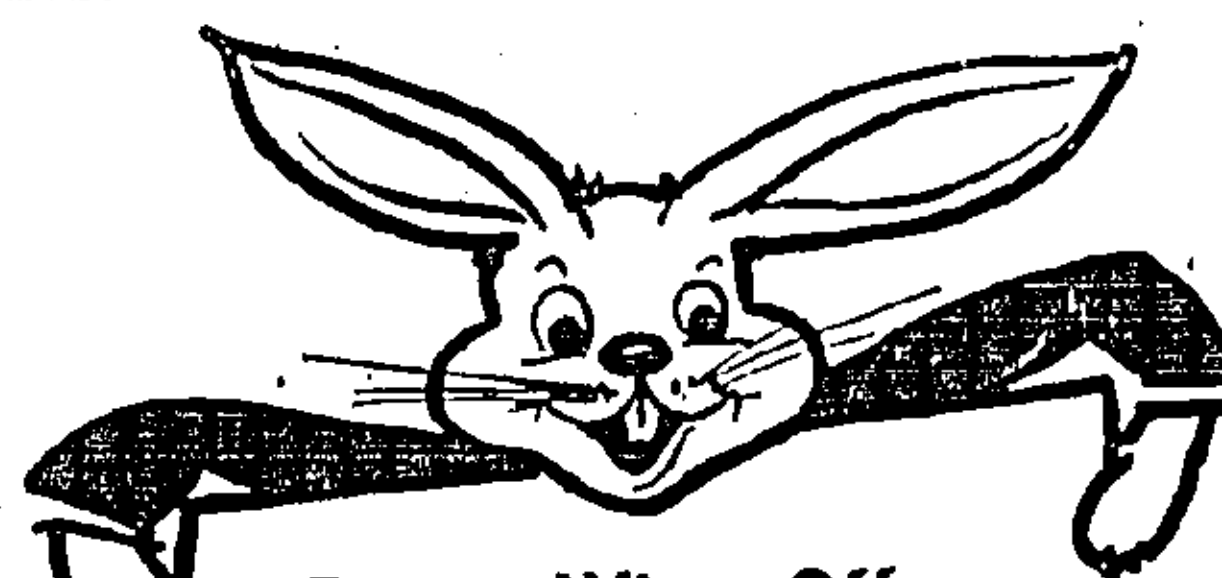
Japan is presenting 48 papers. Britain will also submit papers on "chemical changes induced in organic systems by ionising radiation," "economic aspects of the United Kingdom nuclear power programme," and "foundation of the Bagdad Pact nuclear centre."

France is the third biggest contributor of scientific papers for the conference—162. Other papers, titles of which will be announced later, are expected to bring the first total to about 2,500, of which about 600 will be presented orally.

The rest will be circulated and printed.—China Mail Special.

New Stamp

London, Mar. 26. A 40-kopek stamp in honour of Rear Admiral Tsvetkov, commander of the Russian cruiser Varyag during the Russo-Japanese war, has been issued in the USSR, the official news agency Tass said tonight.—China Mail Special.



Easter Wine Offers

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Look at it this way, Horace—you were very busy teaching me how to bowl! So your 96 to my 128 wasn't so bad!"

Contractor Alleged To Have Misused Foreign Aid Funds

Washington, Mar. 26.

A House sub-committee today released testimony that a Chicago contractor used foreign aid funds to buy road-building equipment from himself at prices higher than he paid for it originally.

The transaction was said to have resulted in payment of \$92,611 in commissions to five other firms or persons who did little or nothing to earn them. The contractor was identified as A. Leonard Dougherty of Chicago, who has been awarded a contract to build a 350-mile road in Cambodia with foreign aid funds.

An account of the transaction was set forth in a summary of testimony taken behind closed doors yesterday by a House government operations sub-committee, headed by Rep. Porter Hardy (Democrat, Virginia).

'Net Profit'

The summary quoted Martin Cain, an auditor with the US General Accounting Office in Chicago, as reporting that one of several corporations owned by Dougherty ended up with a "net profit" of \$492,587 from the sale of the road-building equipment. The summary did not make clear whether Dougherty himself actually wound up with that much profit from the transaction, which cost the taxpayers \$926,112.

The published summary disclosed that Dougherty was present at the closed hearing yesterday and was asked if he found anything incorrect in the testimony. "He replied that he did not," the sub-committee said.

House Rules

At the outset of the hearing Hardy explained that it was being held behind closed doors because House rules provide that testimony which may tend to defame, degrade or incriminate any person should not be aired until the affected person is given a chance to testify.—United Press.

New Post

London, Mar. 26. Lieut-General Sir Horatius Murray of the British Army is to succeed Lieut-General Sir Cecil Sugden, also of the British Army, as Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces in Northern Europe. It was announced here today.

General Murray, 54, has been GOC-in-C Scottish Command since 1955. During World War Two he commanded the Sixth Armoured Division and saw service in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. From 1953-54 he commanded the British Commonwealth Division in Korea.—Reuters.

SNIPERS FIRE ON WORKERS

Tel Aviv, Mar. 26. An Israeli Army spokesman said tonight that Syrians had sniped at Israeli workers on the Lake Huleh drainage project this morning.

No casualties were reported on the Israeli side. Five were returned by Israeli police patrols, the spokesman stated. He claimed that the Huleh drainage project workers had been sniped at for the last two days. They continued their work today after this morning's shooting episode.

DANGEROUS

Later reports stated here that Syrian firing was reopened in the afternoon and was only returned when it became dangerous.

United Nations observers operating on the Israeli side were also fired on and a United Nations motor car was hit by a bullet.

An Israeli military spokesman announced that three Israeli soldiers were wounded this afternoon when their vehicle struck a mine near the Gaz strip border.

Reliable sources stated that two Egyptian-made mines were found in the same area last week.—France-Press.

Protest Against A-Arms For Bonn

London, Mar. 26.

A number of Labour opposition members today protested strongly in the House of Commons against the decision to equip the West German Army with tactical atomic weapons.

David Ormsby-Gore, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, in reply to questions, said that Britain had made no proposals to NATO on the issue.

He explained that it had been decided at the NATO heads of government conference last December that the military authorities of NATO countries would submit a report to the Council on tactical atomic weapons. This report had not yet been presented to the NATO Council, he said.

Labour member Dennis Healey, asked the Government to oppose the German request for the revision of the Paris agreement.

PERMISSION

Ormsby-Gore replied that the West German Government had not communicated with the British Government but had asked the Western European Union for permission to manufacture teleguided anti-aircraft missiles and that the requested revision was the result of the original permission granted. The weapons in question had a range of 1,500 and 2,000 metres. Healey protested against the Government view and declared that armaments in central Europe, where the situation was unstable, should be reduced rather than increased.

A BLOW

Herr Walter Ulbricht, East German Communist Party chief, said tonight the West German Bundestag decision on atomic rearmament "is a blow against the national conscience of the German people."

He said the West German Government was bringing the West German state into a more and more isolated position. "While the whole world increases the movement against nuclear tests and demands a ban of atomic weapons, the Bonn Government stands aside and builds up an aggressive position."

"Who can doubt that this decision must be regarded as a torpedo against 'summit' conference and against German reunification," he said in an interview with the Director of the ADN official, East German news agency.

Asked to comment on statements in the Bundestag that West Germany would be drawn into a future war whether it rearm or not, Herr Ulbricht said: "It is not the same whether West Germany rearm or not. If West Germany does not rearm and is not made into a base of NATO in Europe for atomic warfare, then there will not be a war in Europe."

"There is not a single state and people in Europe that wants to start a war. The only hotbed of danger is the rule of militarists in West Germany."—France-Press & Reuters.

Austrian Himalayas Expedition

Vienna, Mar. 26.

A seven-man Austrian expedition will leave Genoa on Sunday for Karachi en route to the Himalayas where they will attempt to climb three peaks, the 7,400 metres Haramosh, the 7,450 metres Malubiting and the 6,980 metres Hohellala.

The expedition, headed by 31-year-old Heinrich Ross, will go from Karachi by train and plane to Gilgit where they will set up a base camp.

The party comprises four scientists and three mountain climbers including Ross, co-conqueror of the Gasherbrum II peak in 1956. The Austrians plan to explore the unknown south and east side of Haramosh, a particularly difficult peak which local residents regard as being protected by the gods.

A British expedition suffered a tragic accident there last year.—France-Press.

4 MEN CHARGED WITH ROBBERY

Det. Police Constable Tsoi Kam, of Hung Hom Police Station, testified on his meetings with three of the four accused on trial for alleged robbery when the case continued before Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

On trial are Lau Sze, 30, Ko Shun-yue, 31, Han Shui-chi, 22, and Lee Ha-sun, 23, all unemployed.

The first three accused are alleged of having taken part in a robbery at 24, Perceval Street, third floor, where a Mrs Wong Shek-chun was robbed of a wrist watch, a cigarette lighter and a pair of spectacles on December 26 last.

The fourth accused is alleged to have received stolen property. Mr D. E. Greenfield, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting. Det. Tsoi Kam, of Hung Hom Police Station, testified that on the night of December 30 last, he and another detective went to the living quarters of a church in Hung Hom, where they found the fourth accused.

To Church

He said the Police party went to the church with the intention of arresting the first and fourth accused. When they did not find the first accused, they left.

On the following afternoon, witness said, he saw the second accused, who was in the Police Station on a matter not related to the present robbery. The second accused then took him to a hut in Kau Pui Loong Road where they met a woman.

When they left the hut, witness met the first accused outside the hut and requested the latter to accompany him to the Hung Hom Police Station. He also made arrangements with the second accused to meet him in the Police Station at 8.30 p.m. that day.

When first accused arrived in the Hung Hom Police Station, he was taken to see Det. Sgt. Lai Lok. Second accused went to the Police Station, that night and was likewise taken to see Det. Sgt. Lai Lok, witness said.

On the same evening, witness went with another detective to the living quarters of the church in Hung Hom again where they requested the fourth accused to go to the Police Station. Witness said he had instructions that should the fourth accused not go to the Police Station voluntarily, he would have to be arrested.

Arriving at the Police Station, witness took the fourth accused to see Det. Sgt. Lai Lok.

Hillside

Later that evening, witness continued, a Police party went to the hillside off Kau Pui Loong Road where the fourth accused pointed to some undergrowth. Sgt. Lai Lok then conducted a search and found a pair of unserviceable spectacles with a spectacles case.

Hearing is continuing.

Cool Weather For A Few Days

The weatherman sums up: For the next two or three days the weather will be cool, dry and probably cloudy.

For the 12 hours ending noon today, the Royal Observatory recorded 0.83 inch of rain.

The monsoon or strong wind signal (the black ball) was hoisted at 10.15 a.m.

The Royal Observatory says that until midnight strong easterly winds will be blowing, gradually moderating. The sky will be overcast with occasional showers at first, but fair periods later.

A statement on the weather condition in general says that from a depression to the east of Japan, a trough extends WSW to South China. An intense anti-cyclone is centred over North China.

DANCE AT MISSION

There is a dance at 8.30 this evening in the Missions to Seamen, 40 Gloucester Road, Hongkong. All seafarers and Servicemen are welcome. Ladies by invitation only.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST S. AFRICAN GOVERNMENT

London, Mar. 26.

The Labour Party's National Executive Committee, in an official statement today on freedom in South Africa, said it was "appalled by the continuing evidence that the South African Government is determined to destroy every democratic liberty of the majority of the South African people."

The statement, issued after the Executive Committee's regular meeting, referred to the "farical preliminary hearings of the Treason trials" involving 160 people accused of the burning of the African National Congress.

The statement continued: "It is abundantly obvious that the whole policy of the South African Government is directed to destroying all freedom of thought, expression or association amongst the non-European peoples, which number four-fifths of South African inhabitants."

DETERMINED

"This determined effort to set up a permanent white dictatorship denies the basic principles of personal liberty, democratic organisation and the rule of law on which the Commonwealth is founded."

"We of the British Labour Party offer our warmest sympathy and moral support to all those in South Africa fighting against this tyranny and promise to use every influence in our power to assist them in establishing a society based on freedom, democracy and equal rights for South Africans of all races."—China Mail Special.

Diplomat Says Resigned For His Health

Mexico City, Mar. 26.

The Nationalist Chinese Ambassador, Liu Shi-shun, confirmed today that he had submitted his resignation to the Taipei Government, but denied that any reason except his health was involved.

He dismissed as untrue reports that he had criticised Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's new book, asserting: "On the contrary, I believe it is an excellent book which faithfully records Chiang's greatest experience with Russia."

Liu, who is 57, said he had lost weight recently and resigned "because I need a rest after 26 years in the foreign service. My resignation was for reasons of health, and not for any other reason."

NOTIFICATION

He said that so far he had received no notification of acceptance of his resignation, or of the appointment of a new ambassador.

Denying a report that he may refuse to return to Formosa, the Ambassador said: "I have to obey my Government's orders. If they ask me to return to Taipei, I shall do so."

"The Ambassador's wife and his 21-year-old daughter are here with him. He came here less than two years ago, after serving in Canada and at the United Nations.—United Press.